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ROMANS I. 14, 15. I AM DEBTOR BOTH TO THE GREEKS AND TO THE BARBARIANS, BOTH TO THE WISE AND THE UNWISE; SO, AS MUCH AS IN ME IS, I AM READY TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO YOU THAT ARE AT ROME ALSO.

IF secular history has been rightly defined,—philosophy teaching by examples,—the narratives and biographies of Holy Writ may be styled—Christianity illustrated by facts.

In the structure of the Bible, not less than in its principles and prophecies, its Divine Author has given evidence both of his own wisdom and of *its* divinity.

It abounds in *characters;* not elaborately sketched in biographical form, yet as boldly delineated as they are strongly marked. Good men and bad men stand on these pages as impersonations—living embodiments—of holiness and of sin. Good and evil actions, here abundantly recorded, illustrate obedience and disobedience to the divine law. Human hearts, developing both their innate and their acquired tendencies, give ample demonstration of the Scripture doctrines of depravity and regeneration. Human intellects, showing their individual peculiarities, present to our view on these pages, in various attractive and instructive aspects, the truth which God has taught them.

What amount and clearness of didactic statement, or what fervor of appeal by the sacred writers, could we imagine to supply the place of those teachings which come to us in the biographical sketches of Adam and Cain and Abraham and Moses and Peter and Judas and Paul, and the scores of others whose sins, or sorrows, or devotions, or exercises of faith, or

joyful suffering for their Lord, are here by themselves or others so briefly yet so well recorded?

Of all the sacred writers, and those who were actors in the scenes described in Holy Writ, perhaps no one, of merely human origin, furnishes more of this kind of material for our knowledge of the things of God's kingdom than the author of our present text.

Whether we look at his native traits of moral and mental character, at his social relations, at his education and acquirements, at the spiritual dealings of which he was the subject, or at the course marked out for him by the great Head of the Church as a writer and a missionary, we find in him a living exponent of the ways of God to man, and of the grand elementary principles of the Christian system.

He not only spoke and acted as he was moved by the Holy Ghost, but as he was constituted, bodily and mentally, by the creating Hand, and guided, in all the pathway of his outward life, by Divine Providence. We see before us Paul the Hebrew—Paul the Roman citizen—Paul the disciple of Gamaliel—Paul the ardent, courageous, persevering man—Paul the acute and eloquent defender of whatever faith he adopted—the man whom the Lord arrested by that swift-winged messenger, a light from Heaven, and made a chosen vessel to bear His name to the Gentiles, an eloquent expounder of His doctrine, a mirror to reflect the beams of His love upon the darkness of ancient Asia, and of succeeding generations in every land where the sacred volume has been read.

In our text he speaks nobly, characteristically, and more than all, evangelically, that is, in the very spirit and tone of the Gospel, concerning that great subject which has brought us, my brethren and friends, together; I mean THE PROPAGATION OF THE GOSPEL; the spreading of the light and blessings of Christianity, by divine power and human agency, among men.

He says, "I am DEBTOR both to the Greeks and to the barbarians, both to the wise and the unwise;" that is, "I OWE

them something." For it hardly reaches the demands of this strong language to understand the passage: I am under an obligation of benevolence towards these men. He *owed* them somewhat. They had a positive and just claim upon him that he should render them a certain service. And what was this service? Simply, *preaching the Gospel to them.* This is made plain by the last clause of the text, in which his readiness to preach the Gospel at Rome is mentioned as the natural consequence of the feeling of indebtedness he had expressed. "I am debtor both to the Greeks and to the barbarians, both to the wise and to the unwise;" that is, to men of all languages and all degrees of intelligence, to all nations and all classes of mankind. "So,"—on this account—for this reason, or, as the meaning may be,—so *far*, just in proportion to my indebtedness, "I am ready as much as in me is,"—according to my ability and the opportunity which God in his Providence may afford,—"to preach the Gospel to them that are at Rome also;"—even in the proud metropolis of the world; where the demands upon my intellect and my courage will be greater than elsewhere. And he adds, in his usual spirit of holy joy and confidence in the Christian religion, which he well knew if preached at Rome would be so severely criticised and so extensively despised, "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation." No wonder that shame found no place in such a man's heart in connexion with such an object. They who are ashamed of Christ or of his Gospel are as destitute of Paul's wisdom as of his faith and his piety.

"I AM DEBTOR." This is the Apostle's grand leading thought in this passage. Debtor, not to God only, but to men. What were his views and his emotions concerning the *divine* claims, he has not indeed left us in doubt. The love of Christ constrained him. Doubtless this was the chief motive by which he was governed in doing what he did. How could it be otherwise? What human obligation could equal that what which resulted from the divine purpose and work of mercy to which he

owed the hope of Heaven? It was "a necessity" of love and gratitude that was "laid upon" him, and that led him to exclaim—"Woe is me if I preach not the Gospel."

And yet he was under obligation also to men; "*debtor* both to the Greeks and to the barbarians, both to the wise and to the unwise;" and on *that* account, aside from, or rather in addition to, the higher obligation of love and duty to his Lord, he was ready any where, every where, as opportunity might offer, to preach that glorious Gospel of which he would never, in any presence, be ashamed.

How different this feeling of indebtedness, from the feeling sometimes indulged by the disciples of Christ, even when not wholly negligent of the work of propagating the Gospel! "Corban, it is a gift," they say, in their hearts at least, even of their own little sacrifices—if their "mites," without the widow's poverty or piety which gave her's their value, may be called sacrifices. And when they hear of larger gifts, or of the personal consecration of a Martyn, a Brainerd, or a Newell, they admire, or perhaps blame as excessive, the *generosity* of the act. "How kind, how benevolent in those persons to give so much—to do so much, for men they never saw, and who had no conceivable claim upon them!" If the mind of such an observer rises at all to the contemplation of a Christian claim, an obligation to the Author and Giver of the Gospel, which takes away in his view the character of a mere gratuity from the offering bestowed or the service rendered, yet so far as relates to the individuals who are to be benefitted, he still says in his heart, "Corban;" and dreams not that the contributor or missionary, whatever his obligation to Christ, or his benevolence toward the souls for whom Christ died, is also *paying a debt to them*, when he sends or carries them the Gospel.

That such a debt exists, due continually from every disciple of Christ to every fellow man throughout the world, whom he can in any way reach with the blessed instalments of that inexhaustible treasure, of which the more a man giveth the more he

hath, it might be profitable, on a fit occasion, to show and urge. But as the greater includes the less, we may apply the principle here laid down by the Apostle to that branch of philanthropic effort suggested by the name and design of the society whose anniversary we celebrate. If the Christian is a debtor to the world, to give the world the Gospel, we may safely conclude that *every Christian is a debtor* TO HIS COUNTRY, *to see, as much as in him lies, that* ALL HIS COUNTRYMEN *have the Gospel to read, to hear, and to trust in, like himself, unto salvation;* and this on two grounds; first, of PATRIOTISM; and next, of a SACRED TRUST committed to him by God.

I. Every Christian, having a country with a claim upon his best services, and having the Gospel with the power to aid in imparting it, is bound by every bond of PATRIOTISM to make this effort as the best service which man or angel can render.

The ties of country, like those of kindred, are woven by the hand of God. He who created us in families created us also in nations. As natural affection is at once the index of domestic duties and the impulse which secures their performance, so patriotism, swelling within our breasts, not only suggests certain claims which our country has upon us, but furnishes the moving power by which the heart is made to dare and the hands to do, for its protection and welfare. "Who is there so base that does not love his country?" Whatever its natural features, its state of cultivation, the glory or lowliness of its name among the nations, and its condition with reference to science, art and freedom, he is proud and happy to call it his own. "With all thy faults I love thee still," his heart, "untravelled," exclaims, as from whatever remote land he looks fondly to his own, even if its faults do not wholly escape his sight, or appear changed from blemishes to beauties. This feeling may become excessive; but it exists by nature, and by permission of the God of nature, as truly as does the domestic bond of love. And the labors and cares, the doing and the daring, to which it leads, are things desirable, and even, as human nature is, and the constitution of

human society, essential to the welfare if not to the prolonged *existence* of nations. A nation in which this principle had become extinct—wholly replaced, as it too often is in part, by ambition and selfishness—would find its days numbered, and its glory departed.

Man is a debtor to his country. If he that provideth not for his own household is blame-worthy, he that careth not for the larger household of which as a citizen he forms a part, cannot be innocent. Even if his country, in its government, its public policy, and its influence among the nations of the earth, is not what he desires, he should not on that account love it less as his birth-place, but rather strive to make it an honor to its children. If, like the vast empire under which Paul claimed the rights of citizenship, it is a land of oppression, not the less should he love his countrymen, but strive to do them good and to make their common home "a land of the free." His birth-land, giving him a birth-right however meagre, has this parental claim upon him for filial services.

From this claim the Christian is not free. He has learned, if he has been an apt scholar in the school of Christ, to render unto Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's, and unto his country the love and service which are her due.

And what shall he do for his country? A patriot of old is said to have leaped with his war-horse into a living grave, that Rome might be saved. The Christian can do more and better for his country. Paul did more for Rome than Curtius is reported to have done. His Epistle, the very title of which caught the attention and appealed to the hearts of all who were proud to share the name of the world's mistress—his long residence in that city, preaching the Gospel and preaching it not in vain, even among imperial courtiers—these were blessings to Rome richer than her proudest Cæsars, or her most devoted sons had ever conferred. He had indeed a double claim at any time to plead his birth-right, and to say by way of protest against the indignity of scourging, "I am a Roman citizen."

And what can *any* Christian do for the country which he calls his own, better than to enlighten it according to his ability, with the light of the Gospel? What service more valuable can he render, than to send forth a ray of light from his closet of prayer, his contributions, his godly example, or, if he has the ability and opportunity, the broad beams of a reforming light, such as Luther shed upon *his* country, revealing great Bible principles which for ages had suffered burial and oblivion? Shall *his* patriotism and usefulness to his country, who plans its wider extension, or who with his sword attempts to execute the plans of others for conquest or even for defence, be compared with his who diffuses an influence that shall check ambition and profligacy,—that shall cause his countrymen to lead quiet and peaceable lives in all godliness and honesty,—and that shall secure the favor of Him who is a better defender than fleets and armies, and who makes the people happy whose God is the Lord?

Shall I argue the point here, my brethren and friends,—all believers, I trust, in the divinity and value of the Christian religion,—that no man can do more for his country, than he who does what man with God's blessing may do, to make it a *Christian* country?

And if these things are so, is not every Christian, in this sense, a debtor to his country? Is it "Corban," a mere gratuity, when he devotes his time, his property, his energies, or a portion of either, to the preaching of the Gospel, the religious instruction of the young, the circulation of the Bible and of books based upon the Bible, "books which *are* books," and to other means of rendering the distinction wider between his country and the heathen nations?

No! it is but the discharge of a sacred debt—as sacred as the obligation to pay taxes, or to resist invasion, and contend, in the last extremity, for our hearth-stones and our altars.

Is it said the government of a Christian country ought to do this? As a matter of theory I grant it. Whatever constitu-

tional questions may arise as to the rights and duties of governments in relation to internal improvements, and other secular affairs, the Great Charter from *His* hand by whom Kings reign and Princes decree justice, leaves no doubt as to their obligation, if they know the Gospel, to *spread* the gospel in all their dominions. The government of Great Britain, for example, on whose dominions the sun never sets, is under every obligation to reflect the rays of the Sun of Righteousness to all those dark corners over which its banners wave. Upon *such* a "church establishment" Heaven would smile. From the interference of governments in matters of religion, sad evils have indeed flowed; and whether the beautiful idea, the Christian and philanthropic hope from which most church establishments doubtless sprung, can ever be realized, is perhaps more than doubtful. One thing, however, is certain: Every nominally Christian government is bound to do more than any government on the face of the earth is doing, by way of paternal care for the religious benefit of the people. This might be done without any of the evils which have flowed from church establishments.

There are two things which every such government might and ought to do, both of them in advance of every step yet taken by all the hierarchies on the globe. In the first place: to enforce the first table of the law, by statutes with penalties, as they do the second table; preventing idolatry, blasphemy and Sabbath breaking, as they do murder, adultery and fraud. And next: filling the land with copies of the Word of God; bringing within the reach of every family and every child, that divine message of mercy, that conservator of public morals, that guide to heaven, the Holy Bible.

But will governments do either of these things? If they would, enough would still be left for individuals to accomplish. But as no government has done, or will do, at present, either of these, its duties to those for whose good it is constituted a servant of God, *all* remains to be done, in every country, by the individual efforts of its Christian citizens. Are not such men,

wherever God's grace has raised them up from death in sin, debtors to their respective countries to do for these countries all that man may do to enlighten them with Gospel light, and to save them with Gospel salvation?

II. The Christian is a debtor in this matter, because he holds the Gospel IN TRUST FOR OTHERS, and especially for his own neighbors and countrymen. There is something peculiarly sacred in all trusts. The very name is sacred. The guardian of orphan children,—the receiver of the widow's portion,—the representative of an absent brother whose share of his father's estate is to be kept ready for him in case he returns within the ordinary limits of human life from his ocean wanderings,—each holds an honorable but a solemn position. To betray such a trust—how wicked! How deep and universal the execration which society, its own avenger, metes out to him, though escaping other punishment, who, in betraying one member, has committed treason against the whole body!

The Christian is put in trust with THE GOSPEL. Not only is the Bible given him that he may multiply copies of its blessed words, and having scattered some of them near his home, send others far and wide through the earth, but God hath shined in his heart with the light of the knowledge of His glory, not that he should hide it, but that he should let it shine before men and lead them to acknowledge and glorify that Sun of Righteousness by which his native darkness has been dissipated. If he fails to do this, he defrauds both God and man.

As if an angel, entrusted with the stores of rain for the benefit of man, should, through either selfishness, or indolence, or indifference to the boundless value of the trust, withhold the showers more precious than golden streams, and men dying with thirst, should but just survive the green things of the field parched and dead with drought. What a crime against God! Not only this, what a defrauding of men!

Is this illustration too strong? Is it said: God may convert our neighbors,—may save our country, even if we stop that cur-

rent of the river of salvation that *should* have flowed through our hearts to other hearts? So, in the case supposed, He might in a thousand ways avert from mankind the consequences of the angel's breach of trust. But in the spiritual world, as supposed above in relation to a physical phenomenon, He has established a certain order of agency. "Ye are the light of the world." "Ye are the salt of the earth." "He hath committed this treasure to earthen vessels." "We are workers together with God." "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." *This* is the tenor of the Gospel records on the subject of Gospel-propagation—church extension—through the earth.

Not even to his own blessed Word has Jehovah applied such language by way of describing its power as an agency in enlightening and saving men, as to his redeemed and enlightened people,—those whose hearts have been enkindled from his own celestial fire. They are, and are styled emphatically, the light of the world. They are to let their light shine. As living, speaking agents, they are not only to multiply and spread copies of the silent Word, but to be witnesses for God and to persuade men in Christ's stead. The early Christians, who best understood the genius of Christianity, and most thoroughly acted out its principles, all considered themselves stewards of the manifold grace of God. As stewards they desired and endeavored to be found faithful. And if that feeling had continued in the heart of the church through all the succeeding centuries, and she had been in her steadfast practice, as in her original organization, a Missionary Society, what a noble sequel to the book of Acts, that first Missionary Report, might already have been written in many hundreds of volumes, replete with testimony as to what man can do in the midst of his weakness, when Infinite power and grace condescend to employ his agency!

But if it be true that by the original order of things in the kingdom of Christ, every Christian is a debtor to every other man within his reach, because Gospel blessings are given him

not for a selfish and exclusive use, but *in trust* for others, then, as the greater includes the less, every Christian is a debtor on this score to those who are, by the Providence of God, placed near him and connected with him as his countrymen. If that man is our neighbor to whom we show mercy—that man, whoever he is, to whom we *can* show mercy—then surely those who are literally our neighbors are not less entitled than those at a distance, to the payment of this great debt which we owe to all. If we had sunshine, or clouds of rain, or liberty, or peace, or education, at our disposal, but entrusted to us by the Author of all good, to be diffused as far as possible among mankind, our own country would certainly not be last in its claims. And in relation to which of those blessings would the obligation be more perfect than in relation to this great blessing of Gospel-light? It is entrusted to us to be multiplied, not diminished, by diffusion. To give his countrymen the Bible, and by a godly example, a hearty invitation, and fervent prayer, to promote their salvation, is a debt which ought to press with solemn weight upon the conscience of every Christian.

What has he, of spiritual any more than of temporal good, that he has not received? And for what purpose has it all been given him?

It is a debt of trust and not of gift, by which he holds it. God's gift to him is eternal life; for himself—for his own soul, condemned and redeemed, lost and saved. A precious gift indeed! but all that he has or knows beyond this, is held in sacred trust for other souls, like his condemned and lost—needing like his, to be redeemed and saved.

By way of applying the truth thus briefly illustrated, I remark,

1. The zealous prosecution of the work of home missions by the churches of Christ in this country, while it is demanded by every consideration of duty and gratitude towards the Redeemer, is a matter of *common honesty* towards our fellow citizens.

This proposition, differing from the one adopted and consid-

ered as the theme of discourse, only in being more specific, follows necessarily from it, unless a doubt should be raised whether this country is not in such a sense, already a Christian country, that missionary work here would be out of place. Need I say, to this assembly, that the vast land which we call our own, stretching we hardly know how far from north to south, and from east to west, and presenting almost every variety of religious opinions and condition to be found on the face of the earth, is one of the noblest and readiest fields of missionary labor?

It presents the strange phenomena of a Christian land having great need to be evangelized,—a land of Bibles where there are thousands and tens of thousands of families who never possessed that blessed volume,—a Protestant land, in which Popery is advancing with such strides as it has never taken before since the early Gregories,—a free land, where every seventh man is a slave, and the "area of freedom," so called, extending continually,—a land given by God and its first Christian inhabitants, to the Prince of Peace, sending forth its battle-cry, almost alone, to startle the ears of Christendom,—a land bearing the Puritans and the Pilgrims' names, where their followers are already in a minority, and their principles, in some wide districts, becoming rare.

Is not this a land for missions? Owe we no debt to our country, my brethren, because she needs not our service?—because the blessings we have in trust our fellow-citizens already possess?

I will not recapitulate what you so often hear and so well understand on this point. I only ask whether it is not true that common honesty calls the American churches to American missions; whether all that a Christian owes to his country because it *is* his country, and because God has given him the Gospel in trust, is not due from us to our country, where superstition, and fanaticism, and slavery, and disorganizing radicalism under the name of reform, and intemperance, and Sabbath breaking, and

infidelity, and ignorance, and ambition, and war, are lifting their hydra heads and hissing forth their threats—Heaven grant they may prove timely and effectual warnings—of desolation and ruin. If benevolence to others, a wise care for our own safety and quietness in our declining years, and for our children after us, and above all, love to our blessed Lord and a desire that His name may be adored and His cross relied upon universally, call upon us to engage zealously in home missionary work, is it not also plain that common *honesty* requires it at our hands, and that neglect would involve not only danger to ourselves, and disobedience and ingratitude to God our Saviour, but injustice and fraud, against our countrymen, for whose benefit we hold in our hands, and in our HEARTS, if we are not deceived, this great trust.

2. We see, fathers, brethren, and friends, who have aided either in originating or in sustaining the Maine Missionary Society,—in what light this enterprise should be regarded, and what motives press upon you to prosecute it in all its parts, with increasing diligence, faith and prayer.

All that has been said of the debt owed by Christians to their country, applies to the Christians of Maine with reference to our own State. Vast in extent, abundant in natural resources, rapidly coming into notice as an emigration field by reason of its healthful though severe climate, its accessibleness by water, and its projected and noble internal improvements, it may well be styled the Great East, and divide the sympathies and the prayers—if not the contributions—of our New England brethren with the Great West. That we should, as a Society, share in the gifts of brethren abroad, has been hinted at and virtually promised in certain quarters. But until our nearly twenty thousand church-members, with the aid of some thousands of non-communicants who cheerfully join their contributions with ours, shall have begun to raise more than ten thousand dollars annually, as their portion of the church's debt to the country, no aid should in my judgment be asked or received by this

society as such, from any other State, unless it were deemed necessary by such a step to arouse the indifferent or penurious among ourselves to new exertion. I speak not by authority of our excellent Board of Managers, nor even by their permission, on this point, but as a humble individual I would express my impression that the eighteen thousand church members in Maine, of our denomination, would place themselves in a false position before the country, and in view of their own consciences, by allowing any other body to share *officially* in doing their home-work, until they have begun to expend in that work at least one dollar annually for each member. Whatever individual liberality may delight to do for particular portions of our great field, moved by pleasant recollections of the past, or by personal Christian friendship for our laborious and self-denying brethren, should be thankfully received.

And even then, those among our number whom the Lord has blessed with means, should see to it that as much in full measure goes from Maine to the West, as comes from New England to Maine.

And I would ask with all diffidence, but with sincerity and earnestness, whether the Congregational churches of Maine, if their number and ability continue as at present, will be paying their proper annual instalment of this great *Christian debt* to their country, if they shall contribute *twenty* thousand dollars for the great East and lift not with their little finger the burden which rests so heavily on the churches in the older New England States, of taking care of territories at the West and South, in which this great territory of ours would be lost on the map beyond the reach of any but a microscopic observation.

Brethren, have we aimed high enough? Have we done half enough for our own State? And have we not somewhat hastily concluded that the rest of New England would take care of the rest of this vast land, with its elastic and ever expanding boundaries, and in many portions dark almost like the darkness of the Pagan and the Papal world.

But we will speak only of our own State. To it we are debtors. Nay we are debtors to some of our brethren, of the ministry and the laity, who to their power, yea and beyond their power, have made *advances*, if I may so say, of money they could ill afford, and of labor which is fast wearing out their lives, to supply our lack of service. Shall they pay our portion of the debt? I know not how it is with my brethren in the ministry, to whom as to myself, the lines have fallen in pleasant places, where severe and exhausting labor has the solace of abundant Christian society, and is not embittered by the daily pressure or the constant fear of want; but for myself I feel like doing reverence to some of our missionary brethren, while an emotion bordering on shame oppresses me, that I suffer not like them. And if I may appeal, on this point, to the private members of our strong churches, let me ask them if similar feelings might not be appropriate on their part, towards some of the self-denying Christians in the feeble churches on our frontiers.

I have spoken, dear brethren, of the duty of prosecuting this great work "in all its parts," and of doing it "with prayer." But is not prayer *one* of the parts of our Missionary work? Our field may be large and inviting. It may be white unto the harvest. The laborers may be ready, and the chief implements of their work—copies of God's holy Word—may not be wanting; and yet the desired harvest cannot be gathered but by the permission and aid of the Lord of the harvest.

We may desire and strive, as much as in us lies, to bless and save our State and our country—to have the Gospel preached among all classes of our citizens, even though it should be as Paul apprehended concerning such labor at Rome, with more of self-denial, and perhaps with less perceptible immediate results, than among the simpler and ruder races of man, who have no philosophy and vain deceit to strengthen the opposition and sharpen the caviling ingenuity of the natural heart. But the Hand that holds the hearts of men and turns them as the rivers

of water are turned, must work with us, and by us, or we shall labor equally and wholly in vain at home and abroad.

While then, brethren and friends, we admit our indebtedness both to God and men—while the love of Christ and the weighty claims of patriotic obligation and a sacred trust from Heaven, constrain us to bestow our personal services and our cheerful and abundant gifts in this good cause, let us remember that we are also debtors to our country to pray for it—and to our fellow-citizens of this State, to implore from on High upon their individual hearts, that grace without which even inspired preachers and miracle-workers would have labored in vain.

May the God of all grace bestow this blessing richly upon us here present before him this day, that we may not neglect, or with deceived hearts profess, to love and obey the glorious Gospel which we send to others, and that acknowledging and discharging this great debt we may share that rich reward, which though not of debt but a free gift, is yet held forth by the divine hand, the prize of our high calling as the servants of Christ: THEY THAT BE WISE SHALL SHINE AS THE BRIGHTNESS OF THE FIRMAMENT; AND THEY THAT TURN MANY TO RIGHTEOUSNESS, AS THE STARS FOREVER AND EVER.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Maine Missionary Society held its thirty-ninth annual meeting, in Augusta, June 24th, 1846,—Rev. Wm. T. Dwight, President, in the Chair. The annual sermon was preached by Rev. John W. Chickering, preceded by prayer, offered by Rev. Samuel Nott, Jr. of Massachusetts.

Prayer was again offered, in which the Assembly were led by the President of the Society, who also read a portion of the sacred Scriptures.

The Report of the Treasurer was presented, accepted and adopted.

The Report of the Trustees was read by Rev. Dr. Tappan; and, on motion of Rev. John O. Fiske, supported by Rev. Messrs. J. Sewall, Sen., Cutter, Nott, McClure and Bourne, it was

Resolved, That the Report now read be accepted, and ordered to be published in the Christian Mirror.

Voted, That the Rev. David Shepley be a committee to tender to the Rev. Mr. Chickering, the thanks of the Society for the appropriate sermon delivered by him this day, and request a copy for publication.

The question of asking aid to evangelical efforts in Maine of the Massachusetts Missionary Society came up for discussion, in which Messrs. Gillett, Rogers, Savage, Shepley, Peet, Fiske, Clark, Cutter, Green, and others took part, and resulted in the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That in view of the wants of our Missionary field, this Society needs, for the coming year, at least fifteen thousand dollars; and, while we hope our churches will come up and meet this demand, yet, to prevent embarrassment, the Trustees be authorized, in case of failure on the part of Maine, to make application to the Massachusetts Miss. Society, to supply the deficiency; and we hereby pledge ourselves to use our utmost influence to raise the whole sum within our own churches.

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

The following gentlemen were chosen officers of the Maine Missionary Society for the year ensuing.

Rev. William T. Dwight, Portland, *President.*

Rev. Chas. Freeman, Limerick, *Vice President.*

Rev. Eliphalet Gillett, D. D. Hallowell, *Corresponding and Recording Secretary.*

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Auditors.—William Swan and William C. Mitchell, Esqs.

The thanks of the Society were voted to the people of Augusta for their hospitality in entertaining its members.

The next annual meeting of the Society, will be held in High Street Church, Portland, on the fourth Wednesday of June, 1847.

First Preacher—Rev. Chas. Frost.

Second Preacher—Rev. Caleb Hobart.

REPORT

Of the Trustees of the Maine Missionary Society, at their Thirty-Ninth Annual Meeting in Augusta, June 24, 1846.

The cause of Home Missions is getting a stronger hold upon the Christian community, in every successive year; and is constantly extending, in its length and in its breadth, the theatre of its operations. The American Home Missionary Society, which had its origin not quite a quarter of a century ago, and whose representative is present on this occasion, has already extended the shadow of its influence over a large section of our world. It is sowing the good seed of the kingdom, *broad-cast*, from the St. Croix to the gulf of Mexico, and from the shores of the Atlantic to the Rocky Mountains. It employed, the last year, (the statement is in round numbers,) 1000 missionaries, and came to the resolution to add 100 to the number, the current year. Its income from the charities of the Christian public, last year, was 130,000 dollars; and they confidently hope, in winding up their concerns for the present year, ending in May next, to reach the amount of 150,000 dollars. It has 20 Branches, under the name of Auxiliaries and Agencies, which have their respective limits, within the same broad field of operation; and may be styled "helps;" as were Aaron and Hur, in staying up the hands of Moses in the wilderness, until the conquests of the Lord were completed Some of these branches, indeed, are older than the parent root or stock, but were grafted in, to carry out the symmetry of the tree. That branch of its operation, which occupies the field in our own State, the Maine Missionary Society, celebrates to-day its 39th anniversary. And the Trustees would submit to the members, patrons, and friends of the Institution, their Annual Report; embracing an alphabetical list of missionaries employed; the respective and general results of their labors; the state of the finances; and the present condition and future prospects of the Institution.

Alphabetical List of Missionaries.

Mr. John Adams, Orland, Hancock Co. 1 3-4 months.

There is no church in this place; but there is a number of church members, who design being organized with the hope of sustaining the ordinances of religion.

Mr. Lauren Armsby, Waterville, Kennebec Co. 1 1-4 months.

Rev. Samuel Bowker, Union, Lincoln Co. 2 3-4 months.

Mr. Bowker has been ordained over this church during his mission, and their prospects at the present time are promising. Mr. Bowker states,

"During the year there have been some signs of promise, and I have hoped that our captivity was about to be turned. None, however, so far as I know, have become savingly interested in the Gospel."

Rev. Mighill Blood, Aurora, Amherst, and vicinity, I 1-2 months.

Mr. Blood spent several months with the church in Aurora and Amherst, after his mission closed. Since then he has been laboring in the vicinity of Lincoln.

Rev. Isaac Carleton, Oxford, 3 1-2 months.

Mr. Carleton writes: "Our public meetings are well attended. There have been 2 hopeful conversions. There will probably be some additions, both by letter and by profession, during the season."

Rev. E. G. Carpenter, Dexter and Exeter, 3 1-2 months.

Mr. Elias Chapman, Newfield, 1 3-4 months.

In this place, no considerable changes. The report of Mr. Chapman states: "Public worship has been well attended, and rather an increase in the congregation. The church has been somewhat revived, if we may judge from our prayer and conference meetings."

Rev. Sumner Clarke, Unity, 3 1-2 months.

Mr. Clark, in reviewing the occurrences of this year, states: "The *attendance* on meetings has been as good, perhaps, as at any period during my labors here. But the blighting influence of the great spiritual dearth, which has so long rested on God's heritage, *we* have deeply felt. Three have been added to the church by letter."

Mr. Thomas W. Clark, Kilmarnock and vicinity, 1 month.

Rev. Dana Claves, Jefferson and vicinity.

Rev. Joseph H. Conant, Chesterville and Fayette, 1 3-4 months.

In Chesterville, things remain as they were. In regard to Fayette, Mr. Conant writes: "God, who is rich in mercy, has visited them with the day-spring from on high. The last Sabbath in May was a Sabbath not soon to be forgotten. Six were then added to their number by profession, and two by letter. Though this accession has not increased their ability to sustain the Gospel; yet they have abundant reason to thank God, and take courage."

Mr. O. W. Cooley, Aurora and Amherst, 1 1-4 months.

Mr. Cooley writes, under date of 3d inst: "I have visited 40 families, and distributed tracts to them. There has been good attendance on the Sabbath; the house on the last Sabbath was quite full. I remain here three Sabbaths after my mission closes; until the time of their annual parish meeting."

Rev. David Cushman, Bremen, 3 months.

Mr. Cushman engaged at Bremen, for a year, one half of the time; the other half of his time being spent in Newcastle, where he resides. His year in Bremen began in November last.

Rev. Timothy Davis, Litchfield, 1 3-4 months.

Mr. Davis's report, under date of 9th instant, states: "One female, the wife of a church member, has, as we trust, been converted, and has joined the church. Religion is in a low state. There does appear, however, recently, some waking up in the church, and unusual seriousness in several among the unconverted. So that we have a hope of better things. The removal and repair of the meeting house has rather increased the number who attend public worship on the Sabbath."

Rev. Nathan Douglass, St. Albans and Palmyra, 1 1-2 months.

Mr. Douglass has, during his mission, been dismissed from the church in St. Albans; but still resides in the place, and continues to preach in the vicinity.

Rev. Samuel S. Drake, Garland, Levant, and vicinity, 3 1-2 months.

Rev. Joshua Eaton, Aroostook County, 10 months.

The theatre of Mr. Eaton's labors, is the eastern part of the county, in the vicinity of Houlton. It embraces some 30 miles in extent, including many townships and plantations; though there are only two Congregational churches, one at Monticello, and one at Hodgdon. The latter has been organized during his mission. His labors have not only been necessary to the region, but acceptable and useful. In a communication, under date of April 6th, at Bangor, Mr. Eaton writes: "I went to the Aroostook about the middle of January, and finished the balance of my first commission of the current year; when I received notice of the renewal of my appointment for another three months. I found an increase of interest in Hodgdon; so that I should have tarried a little, if my appointment had not been renewed. Meetings were much better attended than usual, and there appeared an uncommon degree of seriousness on the minds of individuals. I remained on the ground, until about the middle of March. I am now on the point of returning thither again."

Rev. Henry Eddy, Turner, 3 1-2 months.

Mr. Eddy writes, under date of 6th inst.:—"No material change has taken place in religious feeling among the people, since my last report. There is a good degree of harmony in the church, and a disposition among the people generally, to listen attentively to the preaching of the Gospel."

Rev. John Elliott, Durham, Cumberland county, 3 1-2 months.

This feeble church has for several years been supplied by the late Rev. Israel Newell, resident among them. At his request, after he had become too feeble to preach to the people himself, Mr. Elliott was sent to Durham, as a missionary; and the parish engaged him, for one year, with the pledge of aid from the missionary society. Mr. Elliott's journal, under date of May 10th, states: "I received the commission, forwarded to the Rev. Israel Newell, in due season. Since that time, that eminent servant of Christ has deceased. The Congregational parish hope to realize annually hereafter, about $100, the result of funds secured to the church by the last Will and Testament of Mr. Newell. This will enable them to sustain

preaching, without aid from your Society, after the expiration of the present year, ending November next."

Mr. R. W. Emerson, North Bangor, 1 month.

Rev. George W. Fargo, East Madison, 1 1-2 months.

Mr. Fargo spends one half of his time at this stand; and the residue in Cornville and other destitute places in the vicinity.

Rev. Jonas Fisk, Lisbon, 3 1-2 months.

Mr. Fisk writes: "Many attend public worship now, who formerly did not; and the congregation is constantly increasing, so that on fair Sabbaths our meeting house is well filled. One thing is particularly interesting and hopeful among us. The children and youth are coming forward and doing well, in sustaining the cause."

Rev. Joseph Freeman, Strong, 2 months.

Mr. Freeman has left this stand, and taken the pastoral charge of the Congregational church in Prospect.

Mr. David Garland, Sweden, Oxford county, 1 month.

Mr. John Gerrish, Dedham, Dixmont, and Old Town, 3 months.

Mr. Gerrish one month in Dedham, one in Dixmont, and one in Old Town.

Rev. David Gerry, Hiram and Brownfield, 3 months.

Mr. Gerry has supplied these two churches, alternately, the last year. He has now taken charge also of the church in Denmark, designing, the coming year, to preach to the three, successively.

Rev. Solomon B. Gilbert, Kennebunkport, 2 3-4 months.

Mr. Gilbert writes: "We have no revival to report. During the past year there have been signs of returning mercy; the field has looked white already to harvest; and we thought we saw a cloud gathering over us, and heard the sound of abundance of rain. But as yet the Spirit's influences have been restrained; though we still hope that this church love the and truth, are in a measure growing in grace; being built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone."

Mr. Stephen Gould, Weld, 2 months.

Rev. Stephen H. Hayes, Frankfort, 3 1-2 months.

Mr. Hayes writes: "The state of religion is lamentably low. We have had no additions; though two contemplate uniting by letter, and one at least by profession, soon.—In regard to our external prosperity, I hardly know how to speak. Some portion of last year's harvest was almost a sheer failure; in others more promising. It is the opinion of some, that if our society holds on in a quiet way, a year or two longer, we shall begin to be strong; though all depends on the divine blessing."

Rev. Leonard W. Harris, North Bridgton, 2 3-4 months.

Mr. Harris, under date of 30th ult., writes: "During the last winter, an unusual interest in the subject of religion and religious meetings was

manifested. A few individuals were hopefully converted, but have not as yet made a public profession. On the whole, our religious prosperity appears as hopeful, as it has at any time, for the last four years.

Mr. Eusebius Heald, Solon.

Mr. Heald did not perform the appointed labor here, but in Piscataquis County; and the people to whom he ministered remunerated him.

Rev. Israel Hills, Dixmont, 1 month.

Mr. Hills spends one-half of his Sabbaths in Dixmont, and the balance in the vicinity.

Mr. E. R. Hongman, Waldo County, 1 month.

Rev. Morris Holman, 2d Church, York, 3 months.

Mr. Holman's journal, under date of 1st inst., states: "The last 12 months have beheld us going along very much as formerly. There is a good degree of harmony in the church, and one has been added to it by profession. The general attendance on public worship, I deem rather improving in numbers and constancy."

Rev. Anson Hubbard, Andover, 2 months.

Mr Hubbard has been most of the time with the church in Andover; though he has spent a few Sabbaths, during the year, in the destitute places in the vicinity.

Rev. Horatio Ilsley, Abbot, Piscataquis County, 3 months.

Abbot is a small town; but it enjoys the ministrations of the Gospel statedly and constantly. The population all worship together. Four evangelical denominations provide a supply for the pulpit successively, in each Sabbath of the month; and they have their Sabbath-school and Bible class and temperance efforts, all in common. Mr. Ilsley has supplied for the Congregational portion of the establishment, one-fourth of the time, during the past year. His journal states: "I cannot report any revival of religion, nor additions to the church. It has been the case here, as in many other places, that the Lord has not granted the special influences of his Spirit; and when this is the case, preaching seems to be in vain. The church, however, are united, and appear interested in the ordinances of the Gospel. On the whole, I feel encouraged for Abbot; and while there has not been any special revival, I do think the cause of truth has been steadily advancing; and they are desirous of having the means of grace continued to them, as heretofore."

Rev. Elijah Jones, Hebron and West Minot, 3 1-2 months.

The church in Hebron and West Minot Mr. Jones supplies one-half of the year; while he has the pastoral charge of the church in Minot, and ministers to them, the other half of his time. Mr Jones reports: "I have completed my mission in West Minot and Hebron, and have wrought no deliverance in the earth; cannot cheer you with an account of revivals, and perhaps not of single conversions. But a feeble church has enjoyed, for another year, the ordinances of religion, and its children, as well as others,

have been instructed. The church is thought to be in a better condition than for some time previous; the congregation is increased in numbers and the attention appears to be good."

Mr. Marcus R. Keep, Patten and vicinity, 1 month.

Rev. Reuben Kimball, Kittery, 3 1-4 months.

Mr. Kimball writes: "No very remarkable changes have taken place in the state of things here, during the year. Our Sabbath-school, which I superintend, continues to be interesting, and, I believe, to be exerting a very good influence upon more than half of my congregation. And we are permitted to hope, that one soul in it has recently been born again. No additions have been made to our number, and one has died. Since my last report, we have painted and otherwise improved our house of worship, and have contributed to several objects of benevolence and charity."

Rev. Daniel Lane, Mechanic Falls, Cumberland County, 4 months.

Mr. Lane supplied at this place, 5 months. He was settled, the year preceding, at Keosauqua, Iowa. But want of health induced him to return to this his native State. He soon so far recovered, as to recommence laboring; which he did, by application, at Mechanic Falls. An extract from his report, under date of April 8th, at Freeport, will show the result of his labors: "You will recollect that my mission at Mechanic Falls, was for 4 months, commencing with the 2d Sabbath in Novemer last. I remained with them four weeks, after the time of my appointment from your Society had expired. I found a good measure of what I thought to be Bible piety among them; so that when I commenced preaching with them, I felt encouraged to hope for a revival of religion. The expectation was realized. A spirit of prayer was soon poured out upon the church, creating an unusual earnestness in their supplications. The prayer meetings began to be better attended. There was solemnity in them; confession of sin; longing for more piety; and some tremulous hopes, that God would, by the gracious influences of his Spirit, appear both for the church, and for those who had no hope, and were without God in the world. The solemnity of the prayer-meetings was soon transferred to the public assembly on the Sabbath: so that it was soon evident, that God's Spirit was influencing the minds of the people in a special manner. The result of the whole is this, 19, all young people, are hoping that they are Christians. Probably, no one of them is older than 24, nor younger than 11 or 12. In addition to this, there was an encouraging religious interest, when I left God grant that the work may go on, so that their present acting pastor may reap an abundant harvest of souls in that place. I shall think of them often, when in the Far West. Of the genuineness of the work, I cannot of course speak with certainty. It will be an *unusual revival*, if there are not among them some self-deceived ones. I am to set out for Iowa, Providence permitting, on Wednesday, the 15th inst. I long to be back, in the field where I think it to be my duty to spend my days."

Rev. Allen Lincoln, Gray, three and one-half months. Mr. Lincoln has been installed over this church, during his mission. He writes, under date of 1st instant: "We are perhaps, in a pecuniary point of view, no stronger than we were a year ago; but the sequel will show that ours is not altogether a hopeless case. During the year, there has been a change from stated supply to pastor; contributions for benevolent objects have been regular and creditable; we have made one life-member of the Maine Missionary Society, by a payment of 29 dollars; have sent between 4 and 5 dollars to the persecuted Armenians; the ladies have done something for the missionaries by the way of clothing; and in all this, the pastor has not been forgotten. There have been 3 baptisms, and 5 persons have joined the church by letter. Public worship on the Sabbath is well attended, and we have some evidence, that the Lord has not quite forsaken this branch of his Zion."

Rev. Levi Loring, Athens, Solon Village, and Bingham, 4 months.

Mr. Loring, since the decease of Rev. Henry Smith of Bingham, has supplied Bingham and Solon Village, one-half of the time; and the other half he has spent at Athens, the place of his residence.

Rev. Amasa Loring, Shapleigh, 3 1-2 months.

Mr. Loring writes: "Two have been added to the church, one by letter, and one by profession. The addition of these, and changes made in other families, have increased the pecuniary strength of the church considerably.

Mr. Henry S. Loring, Lincoln, Mattawamkeag, and Burlington, 1 month.

Rev. Eaton Mason, Dixfield, 3 months.

This missionary labored faithfully in the field, while life and health remained; but deceased before the close of the labors contracted for; and the balance of the time was made out, for the benefit of his bereaved family, by his neighboring brethren in the ministry.

Rev. Enos Merrill, Sweden and Mechanic Falls, 2 1-4 months.

Rev. Josiah G. Merrill, Aroostook County, 12 months.

Mr. Merrill has spent the greater part of his time, in the region of the Aroostook river; taking Fort Fairfield, where a church has been organized, as his home, and extending his labors up the river, on both banks, to the distance of 35 or 40 miles. His acceptance with the people has been marked and peculiar; his labors abundant and successful; and we are glad to be able to say, he has given encouragement of returning thither again, after the anniversary, 24th inst. In his journal, under date of April 2d, Mr. Merrill states: "I was absent from home, in this last mission, ten weeks and five days. In this time I preached 45 sermons; attended three conferences and prayer meetings; administered the Lord's Supper once, and baptized one infant; distributed 12 Bibles and 12 Testaments; and made about 200 family visits. There have been one or two hopeful conversions; as also peace and love in the church, at Letter D, or Fort

Fairfield. I am increasingly impressed with the importance of this Aroostook mission, and that it should be prosecuted with vigor, and with as little delay as possible."

Mr. Thomas G. Mitchell, Freedom, Waldo County, and Waterville, Kennebec County, 6 months.

Mr. Mitchell spent 4 1-2 months at Freedom Mills, and other places in Waldo County, and the balance of his time in Waterville. He is now employed, as a candidate, by the church at Auburn.

Mr. Alfred Morse, Lubec and Whiting, 1 month.

Some efforts have been made, by the people in these places, to secure the services of Mr. Morse, for one year from August next. With what success is not yet known.

Rev. Alpha Morton, Temple, Franklin County, 2 months.

Rev. Robert Page, Penobscot County, 9 months.

Mr. Page spent 2 months in Old Town, and the residue of his time farther east, chiefly in Carroll, Springfield, and Lee. There has been a church organized, during his mission, consisting of nine members from these three towns; two have since been added, and five stand ready to join, making in all sixteen; and they hope, by their own efforts and the aid that can be afforded them, to enjoy more or less frequently the stated ordinances of the Gospel. The following are extracts from Mr. Page's communications. He writes, under date of April 3d: "The three towns have a population something as follows; Lee, 1,000; Springfield, from 600 to 700; and Carroll, 400. The settlements have been rather rapid, the first town having commenced a little over 20 years ago. There is *much* good farming land in these towns. There are already many good farmers; and there will be, doubtless, a large and independent yeomanry on this ground. But there is little wealth yet. An Ecclesiastical Council, from the 2 churches in Brewer, the church in Hammond street, Bangor, and that in Orono, organized the church here, two weeks ago; and closed up their result, by saying: '*All hearts being made glad.*'" An additional communication, under date of 8th inst., states: "I shall have performed 6 weeks of labor, after next Sabbath, in this last mission. Things have appeared, in most respects, much as before. All the expected members have not yet joined, because they have not yet been able to get to meeting; and one of the members has moved to the West. During this mission, meetings have been more full than before; and I think there is more interest on the subject of religion, than there was. Sabbath Schools have commenced with promising appearances. There will be something raised in these towns for preaching. How much, I do not know. But whatever the sum, I think the region important enough to have preaching constantly sustained here. And I have no doubt, if it is so, that this church will grow, and gain strength."

Rev. Clement Parker, Acton, York County, 2 months.

Rev. Cyril Pearl, Harrison, 2 3-4 months. Mr Pearl writes: "Our congregation has been rather larger, the last year, than previously; and in general, a more fixed and earnest attention to the preaching of the Gospel. Contributions to Foreign Missions and other benevolent causes, have gradually increased."

Rev. J. W. Peet, Gardiner, 4 3-4 months.

Mr. Peet writes: "Our house, on the Sabbath, is now well filled; and there is more encouragement, as to the final success of this church and society, than I have seen before, since my labors with them commenced."

Rev. John Perham, Madison, Anson, and vicinity, 3 1-2 months.

A meeting house has been erected and dedicated at Madison Bridge, during Mr. Perham's labors the last year; and the stand gives promise for a permanent settlement of the ministry. One or two adjoining feeble churches will join with them, in the support of a pastor.

Rev. John A. Perry, Orono, 3 1-2 months.

Rev. Wm. Pierce, Lyman, 2 3-4 months.

Mr. Pierce has been installed pastor of this church, during his mission.

He writes: "Religion is low, but we still have encouragement. Some seriousness does prevail, which gives us faith to hope that God is going to remember this branch of his once more. There has been some increase in our congregation, the past year; and the prospect is favorable for more. Two have been added to the church by letter."

Rev. William W. Rand, Norridgewock, 1 month.

Mr. Rand supplied the people here, for four Sabbaths, in view of the long protracted sickness of their pastor, who, it is hoped, is now convalescent.

Rev. Henry Richardson, Gilead, 1 month.

Mr. Richardson preaches at Gilead one half of the time, and at Shelburne, N. H., an adjoining town, the other half. Both churches are small; though the one in Gilead is much the larger of the two. They seem disposed, in both places, to do what they can; but must have aid.

Rev. Pliny F. Sanborn, Orland, Hancock County, 1 3-4 months.

Rev. William T. Savage, Houlton, Aroostook County, 5 months.

Mr. Savage is the only pastor in the Aroostook County, though it includes 3 other churches; and it might be added, that he is the only pastor in the Aroostook Conference, which includes, (or ought to include,) 5 churches also in the adjoining portion of Penobscot County. These 9 churches, with the wastes adjoining have had 6 missionaries, the last year; 3 in Aroostook County, and 3 in Penobscot County, within the limits of the Aroostook Conference. Mr. Savage under date of 5th inst., writes: "Our church here in Houlton numbers 29 resident members, and 6 non-resident; making in all 35 During the past year, 8 have been dismissed, who constituted the church lately organized in the adjoining town of Hodgdon; and 3 have been added to our church by letter. We have

been blest with general harmony of opinion and feeling, regarding the doctrines and duties of our holy religion. We believe that God has been present, to comfort and strengthen the hearts of his followers, and to establish them in the truth; but we have not enjoyed the special tokens of his presence, in the conversion of sinners. The meetings connected with the establishment of the Conference, in January last, were very interesting. The semi-annual meeting at Lincoln, week after next, promises to be of much interest. The Lincoln church will come in with us, and perhaps some others of the Penobscot churches. I will here repeat the expression of my sense of the great importance of the Aroostook river mission, and of the rare adaptation of the Rev. Mr. Merrill to fill it, and of his abundant success in accomplishing it. On the whole, as regards Eastern Aroostook, I judge, that the interests of Christ's cause have been advanced, during the past year; and, (excepting the clouds over my immediate field,) that the prospect is encouraging for the future. Through your charities and prayers, we hope to reap in due time, if we faint not."

Rev. Jotham Sewall, Waldo and Piscataquis Counties, 3 months.

Mr. Sewall's journal states: "In the whole of the twelve weeks, I preached eighty times, and made 173 family visits. I attended five prayer-meetings; opened a number of Sabbath schools with a short address and prayer, visited 9 common schools; baptized 7 children, and administered the Lord's Supper three times, besides assisting in the ordinance at a County Conference; together with attending also two Associations."

Rev. William S. Sewall, Milo and Iron Works, Piscataquis County, 3 months.

Rev. Nathan W. Sheldon, Vassalboro', Sidney and North Augusta, 2 3-4 months.

Mr. Sheldon supplies these 3 churches in succession. His report, under date of 2d instant, states: "I am surely on the 'old wastes,' a hard field truly; but not too hard for the grace of God. Our prospects are more promising, than last year at this time. The old meeting house in North Vassalboro', has been repaired; and I now preach in it, one-third of the time. Some here have tender feelings on religion. Some backslidden professors have recently been reclaimed; others quickened in spirit, and one or two hopefully converted. During the past winter, we have had many solemn and interesting prayer-meetings. Oh that the time, the set time, to favor Zion might quickly come!"

Rev. Oren Sikes, Mercer and Starks, 3 1-2 months.

Mr Sikes has left this stand; and has been installed over the church in Bedford, Mass.

Rev. Francis P. Smith, Sebasticook and Albion, 3 1-2 months.

Mr. Smith writes: "There have been no additions to, or removals from, these two churches. They are both small, each consisting of 20 members. It has been, however, generally speaking, a time of peace and union.

What we need is, *a revival of religion;* to bring hearts right, and add new members to the churches. At Sebasticook, we have a large circle of young people, who are happily united among themselves; and a large choir of good singers. I see no reason, why this should not grow into something. If a steady course is pursued, I think, with the blessing of God, this may become in time a self-sustained establishment. I never have had but one mind about it, *this place should be sustained.*"

Rev. Thomas Smith, Cherryfield and Columbia, Washington County, 4 1-2 months.

Mr. Smith left this stand in January last, and was ordained to the pastoral charge of the church in Orrington. He supplies two-thirds of the time in Orrington, and one-third in Brewer; and has a promising field of labor.

Rev. Henry Smith, Bingham, Solon Village and vicinity, 3 1-2 months.

Mr. Smith deceased, when his labors were about half completed.

He bequeathed to the Maine Missionary Society 100 dollars, which paid for his own services, one-half of the year, and for his successor's services, the residue of the time. The two churches he had charge of, as well as the vicinity of the river, are now as sheep without a shepherd, and must be provided for.

Rev. Joseph Smith, Wilton and Jay, Franklin County, 2 months.

Rev. Samuel Spaulding, Winslow, Kennebec County, 1 1-2 months.

Rev. Abijah Stowell.

Mr. John H. Stratton, Pittston, 3 1-2 months.

"Two have been admitted into the church; one by letter, and one by profession. There has been no death nor dismission during the past year."

Rev George F. Tewksbury, Albany, 3 1-2 months.

Mr. Tewksbury advises, in his report, under date of 4th instant: "I am still permitted to report, there is a good degree of external prosperity enjoyed in the church. There is union and harmony, a kind and fraternal state of feeling. Our Sabbath-school was organized, a few weeks since, with appearances somewhat more interesting and promising than usual. The number of scholars and teachers is about 100. Young and old, parents and children, are members. Our congregation, on the Sabbath, is evidently increasing There is a pleasing interest among the young, in attending public worship."

Rev. David Turner, New Vineyard and Kingfield, 1 month.

Mr. Sidney Turner, Phillips, Flaggstaff and vicinity, 1 3-4 months.

Mr. Turner writes, under date of 8th instant: "One-third of my time I have spent in Phillips; one-sixth at Flaggstaff and the neighboring settlements on Dead River; 3 Sabbaths in Bingham; and the remainder in Salem, New Portland, Freeman, Avon, and Lexington. I have preached 113 sermons; made 556 visits in 190 different families; visited and addressed 7 schools, and travelled near 2,000 miles. Bibles, Testaments,

Tracts and papers have been circulated, more or less, in the above named places."

Rev. Isaac Weston, Standish, 3 1-2 months.

Mr. John B. Wheelwright, Whitneyville, Washington County, 1 1-4 months.

Rev. Henry White, Bradford and Charleston, 2 months.

Of the church in Bradford, Mr. White states: "Three have been added to our number, during the year. We now count 19. Since I removed here, three years since, the church has been something more than doubled. We have a meeting house in building. This, for a small society, is a great undertaking. But having received aid from friends, in Bangor, Portland, Bath, Hallowell and Augusta, the building Committee have contracted for the finishing of the house; and it is to be completed by the middle of November next."

Rev. William J. White.

Rev. Thomas Williams, Poland, 3 1-2 months.

Mr. M. E. Wilson, Burlington and Whitneyville, 3 months.

Mr. Wilson spent one month at Burlington, Penobscot County; and two months in Washington County, chiefly at Whitneyville.

Rev. Luther Wiswall, Jackson and Brooks, Waldo County, 2 months.

Rev. Franklin Yeaton, Limington, York County, 3 1-2 months.

Mr. Yeaton has left this stand, to take charge of a Congregational church at St. Stephens, N. B.

Summary of Labors and Results.

The Society has had in its employment, the last year, 84 missionaries; 4 in advance of the previous year; as also an extension of operations, especially in the North Eastern section of the State 42 of these missionaries have had the charge of a single church or parish. 28 have ministered to 2 or more churches. And the residue have had a still wider range; 5 of whom have labored within the limits of the Aroostook Conference; 1 in Waldo County; and 1 in Piscataquis County. A more laborious, self-denying and devoted company of missionaries, it is believed, could not be found And they have been as successful as faithful. They have won upon the minds of the people, with whom they have labored; and they speak almost uniformly of an increase in the number of hearers; of an auspicious aspect in the Sabbath-schools and Bible Classes; harmony and increasing love in the churches; and an onward progress in the cause of Temperance. But these are only the outward economy of Christianity. In regard to awakenings and conversions and ingatherings into the fold of Christ, they almost as uniformly tell a different story. It is a tale of wo. "I have labored in vain and spent my strength for nought." The heavens over them have been iron and brass, and the rain of the land powder and dust. There have been only 4 or 5 places, in the whole field, where there has been anything that could be styled a revival of religion. And

these revivals restricted in their influence, and very limited in the number of converts; there being only 50 or 60; barely enough to supply the places of those who have been removed by death or dismission.

At the Annual Meeting in this town, 10 years ago, the record, referring to the then preceding year, was: "There are 23 places, where there have been, or now are, revivals of religion under the missionary operations; and the number of hopeful converts reported, a little more than 400; about half of whom have joined to the respective churches." Such an announcement, on the present occasion, would excite a thrill of joy, in the hearts of this whole Christian assembly. But there is no such thing. It is a spiritual dearth. There is neither rain nor dew. Some may object and say: Why continue operations, why press the Christian public to self-denials and sacrifices, if there is no enlargement? One might as well say to the self-sustaining churches, Why continue the usual stated ordinances of worship? for they are, in this respect, in the same condition as their feebler brethren. It is wiser to listen to the counsels of heaven: "In the morning, sow thy seed, and in the evening, withhold not thine hand; for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good." Let Paul "plant," and Apollos "water," and wait upon God, who will in due time "give the increase."

During the year past, (we speak of missionaries only,) 6 ministers have been *settled* and 6 have been *dismissed;* leaving the proportion just as it was the previous year; though the Trustees have labored faithfully and perseveringly to persuade the feeble churches, that their policy was, *a settled ministry.*

During the year also, three ministers, all stated supplies and all having the charge of feeble churches, have deceased. Rev. Israel Newell, Durham, Cumberland County; Rev. Henry Smith, Bingham, Somerset County; and Rev Eaton Mason, Dixfield, Oxford County. The first of these bequeathed to the church, to which he had for several years ministered, a sum sufficient to produce 100 dollars annually, just the amount they have been in the habit of receiving, as aid in supporting the Gospel; so that they are constituted henceforth, an independent church. The second bequeathed to the Maine Missionary Society 100 dollars, just what the appropriation to his church was, for the year now closing. And the last died, (as most ministers have died, and will die,) having nothing to bequeathe, but his prayers, his counsels and his Christian example.

State of the Treasury.

At the last Annual Meeting, the receipts were just sufficient to meet the claims upon the Society. Nothing wanting, and nothing over. And though the income was 9,000 dollars, it did not vary 10 dollars, either way, from the then liabilities of the Society. There were met from the treasury, all the claims of missionaries sent in, at the Semi-annual Meeting, in January last. Not indeed all paid at sight, but gradually as means came in.

Since that time, the treasurer has answered orders, so as to reduce the liabilities now to 4221 dollars. He has also just reported, as a balance in the treasury in favor of the Society, 607 dollars; leaving 3614 dollars to be received on this occasion; in order to meet all the remaining liabilities of the Society. An amount equal to this has been contributed, at several annual meetings, in past time. What has been done, can be done again. It will, indeed, require effort. It will call for something from every one. To prevent a failure, there must be liberal contributions; the poor widow's mites, and the rich man's princely gifts. But in the heart of the State, and in a place so easy of access, and where so many have assembled, whose vocation is to *give*, and who delight to "magnify their office;" a falling off in contributions would be an issue altogether unique; a thing, indeed, within the range of possibility, but not at all in keeping with the common course of events.

Incidental Aid to the Cause.

The Trustees were written to, a year ago, by brethren of the Congregational order in NewBrunswick, for assistance in sustaining Congregational establishments, in that Province and in Nova-Scotia. The reply was, that we had no authority to extend operations beyond the limits of the State; and that we had no means, if we had authority. But that the desired object might be obtained, by applying to the American Home Missionary Society, at New York; as they had already aided in Canada, and would as readily do it, in any of the adjoining British dominions. One establishment is made in Nova-Scotia, one in St. John, N. B.; one about being made in Sheffield, in the same Province; one opposite to Calais, where one of our own missionaries is going, this month, to take the supervision of the church; and also one in a train of forming, opposite Fort Fairfield. Whether these establishments are to be erected with or without aid, is not known. But if they can sustain themselves, all the better. In either case, this range of Congregational establishments, adjoining our eastern border, will have the same salutary influence, as though situated within our own limits; will form a kind of dyke, to arrest the influx of the tide of corrupting influences, which might otherwise lay waste our fair heritage.

Condition and Prospects of the Society.

The condition of the Society, though not equal to our desires, is better than our hopes. It has had, for several years past, a gradual and uniform, though not rapid increase, both in the number of laborers, and in the means to sustain them. Three years ago, the number of missionaries was 68; two years ago, 75; last year, 80; and this year, 84. The total amount of labor has been in about the same ratio. Three years ago also, the income of the Society was a fraction over 7,000 dollars. Two years ago (after deducting 1,000 dollars, given as a permanent fund,) it was a fraction short of 8,000 dollars. Last year, it was 9,000 dollars. And we had hoped, that this year, it might be 10,000 dollars. But perhaps there was no good ground

for such a hope; as the Society, to make out the 9,000 dollars of last year, received 1445 dollars, for property sold, and nothing could be realized from this source, the year now closing.

It may be said, There are yet many townships in the State, where there is no Congregational ministry; and many wastes in the region, yet unoccupied. This is but too true; and still it is no ground of marvel. One must have been more sanguine than wise, to have supposed, that a scheme of benevolence, so vast in extent, and so far-reaching in its object, could be completed in one generation. But it may be truly stated, (and that is all that is necessary to be stated,) that there has been *a very auspicious beginning; and hitherto hath the Lord helped us.* And if there is continued a gradual increase of operations; an extending out upon the right hand and upon the left; there will be witnessed, in coming time, the "consummation so devoutly to be desired."

In taking a prospective view, therefore, there is much to animate hope, and lead to increased self-denying efforts and charities. There are means enough in the commonwealth, and in the hands of Christians too, gradually to increase the funds, as fast as the population increases; and ultimately to plant the Gospel in every nook and corner of our territory; so that in every feeble church and in every once waste place, the "eyes of the people shall see their teacher." Then, there shall no longer be "*desolations of many generations.*"

Conclusion.

The Trustees cannot persuade themselves to close their Report, (though perhaps already too long,) without stopping to give thanks to Almighty God, for his fostering care of this Institution;—that he has raised it up from *small beginnings*, so that it has spread itself over a great portion of the State; that he has gradually *increased its means* to carry forward the cause and especially, that, for a period of years beyond the average life of man, he has kept it in steady and successful operation, with the "acceptance of the multitude of the brethren," and undiminished favor of the Christian community. May *His* blessing continue to rest upon it! *Then*, it shall accomplish the work, given it to do, and cause the wilderness, every where, to bud and blossom as the rose; *then*, it shall live and grow and flourish, when those who now conduct its operations, or contribute to its funds, or pray for its success, shall have passed away, to another stage of action, and to unknown scenes of being.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr. WOODBURY STORER, TREASURER OF THE MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY. Cr.

To balance of account settled June 21, 1845,	$596	72	Paid various orders of the Trustees since last settlement,	$6569	52
To amount of dividends on Bank Stock, received during the past year,	118	00	Paid John Edward's bill blank receipts,	3	50
To dividend on Trust Fund in Manufacturers and Traders Bank,	17	50	This sum paid for postage of letters, freight of packages, &c.	7	03
To this sum received on account of Legacy bequeathed by the late Hon. Charles Hunt,	62	50	Counterfeit coin at the last annual meeting,	1	00
To interest on Legacy of the late Hon. David Dunlap, loaned on mortgage,	60	00	Paid J. R. Mitchell distributing annual reports,	2	00
To dividend on stock in Lewiston Falls Manufacturing Co. bequeathed by late Rev. W. B. Adams,	40	00	Commissions on $6728 78, received since last settlement, at 2 per cent.	134	57
To this amount received during the past year for annuities entrances, subscriptions, life-membership, and various contributions,	6430	78	Balance in hands of Treasurer carried to new account,	607	88
	7325	50		7325	50

Errors Excepted. WOODBURY STORER,
PORTLAND, June 20, 1846. *Treasurer M. M. Soc.*

PORTLAND, JUNE 20, 1846.

The undersigned Auditors appointed by the Maine Missionary Society, have examined the above account, and find the same right cast and well vouched, leaving in the hands of Woodbury Storer, Esq., Treasurer, the sum of six hundred and seven dollars eighty-eight cents, which is carried to credit of the Society in new account.

(Signed) WILLIAM SWAN, } *Auditors.*
WM. C. MITCHELL, }

The Society yet retain the five shares in the Lewiston Falls Manufacturing Co.—a bequest of the late Rev. W. B. Adams, the par value of which is $100 per share.

The *permanent fund* of the Institution (the interest of which only is available) consists of 7 shares in the Manufacturers and Traders Bank, and 15 shares in the Casco Bank, original cost of which was $2,105 75—also a Legacy of $1,000, from the late Hon David Dunlap, which is loaned on Mortgage of Real Estate.

MAINE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THE Treasurer acknowledges the receipt of the following sums from June 21, 1845, to June 20, A. D. 1846, the day his account for the last financial year was settled.

Abbot—Cornelius N. Gower, dona. 3 00
Henry O. Ellis, " 1 50
Acton—Cong. Soc. 13 25
Anson—Cont. in Ch and Soc. 4 22
Anson Village—Cont. in Cong Ch, 3 77
Athens—Cont in Cong. Soc. 3 20
Alna—Cont. in Cong. Soc. June 22, 1845, 12 25
Miss Lois Cresey, an. 1846, 2 00
Miss Mary Ann Nelson, an. 1845-6, 3 20
Albany—Female Benevolent Association, which constitutes Miss Hannah Haskell, a L. M. 20 00
Ephraim Flint, an. 1845, 2 00
Cong. Soc. Collection, 3 75
"From a friend to the cause," 50
Andover—Benevolent Society, 1 18
Cont. in Cong. Soc. 3 80
Rev. Anson Hubbard, dona. 2 00
Aurora—Cong. Ch and Soc. 4 56
Aurora and Amherst—Female Miss Soc, 15 60
Auburn—Samuel Poole, an 1845, 2 00
Charles Briggs, " 2 00
E. Packard, " 2 00
Benj. Beal, " 2 00
Cyrus S. Packard, " 2 00
Moses Millett, " 2 00
John Downing, Ent. " 1 00
Cont. to complete L. M. of Mrs. Clarissa E. Merrill, 13 61
Alfred—T. Rogers, 2 00
Augusta—Monthly Concert, 35 10
Edward A. Nason to constitute himself a L. M. 20 00
Rev. B. Tappan, to constitute Elizabeth W. Tappan, of Hampden, a L. M. 20 00
Levi Page, Jr. an. 1845, 2 00
Larkin M. Leland, an. 2 00
Jonas G. Holcomb, an. 2 00
Other gentlemen, 45 75
Ladies, 60 39
Sabbath School Collection, 5 26
Monthly Concert, 48 91
Daniel C. Stanwood, 3 00
Gentleman, 1 75
A lady, 25
Bangor—Hammond Street Ch and Soc. cont. in part, 93 00
The members of Edwin D. Godfrey's class in Hammond St. Sab. School, to constitute him a L. M. 20 00
First Cong. Ch and Soc. as follows, viz.
Nathaniel Harlow, 25 00
E. C. Smart, 50
L. L. Morse, 4 00
William Boyd, 1 00
Joseph Carr, 2 00
Jonathan Morse, 1 00
Noah Trickey, 75
John Trickey, 1 00
Thomas Trickey, 1 50
Simon Nowell, 1 00
Robert Boyd, 2 00
David Thomas, 1 00
William Stacy, 1 00
L. I. Morse, 05
Mrs. F. Shepard, 50
J. R. Lumbert, 1 00
George Leonard, 50
Isaac Lincoln, 50
S. B. Stone, 50
Sumner Chalmers, 1 00
Simeon T. Pearson, 5 00
William H. Dow, 10 00
Thomas Sanford, 3 00
Charles Lowell, 1 00
William Hall, 1 00
Joseph Brown, Jr. 1 00
John Barker, 1 00
John Bradbury, 1 50
John Fiske, to const. Mrs. Sophia S. Pearson and Mrs. Martha Dickinson, L. M. 50 00
E. Adams, 5 00
Asa Walker, 1 00
Asa Davis, 5 00
Wm. S. Dennett, 1 00
Wm. Jewell, 1 00
Daniel McRuer, 50
John Short, 1 00
James Allen, 4 00
R Haskins, 2 00
Daniel Kimball, 1 00
Wm. G. Hardy, 1 00
Samuel Sylvester, 50
Jones P. Veazie, 1 00
Michael Schwartz, 1 00
Benjamin Bourne, 50
James B. Fiske, 5 00
P. H. Coombs, 1 00
Charles Plummer, 50
Joseph Fogg, 50
Isaac Dennison, 2 00
William Sanford, 8 00
T. H. Morse, 1 00
G. S. C. Dow, 1 00
S. S. Smith, 50
Joseph Forbes, 50
James B. Fiske, Jr. 50
S. D. and R. Thurston, 1 00
R. R. Haskins, 2 00
Thomas Bartlett, 25
William S. Peabody, 2 00
A Friend, 5 00
G. A. Thatcher, 5 00
I. P. Hardy, 5 00

A. Titcomb, 3 00
Samuel Reynolds, 50
Cash, 25
H. B. Farnum, 1
Theodore S. Brown, to constitute his son Brooks Danscomb Brown, a L. M. 20
Ladies First Parish, 50 03
Cont. on the Sabbath, 28 65
Missionary Box in Sabbath School, to constitute Albert Titcomb, a L. M. by J. Drummond, 20
$40 of the above sums to constitute James Allen and George A. Thatcher of Bangor, L. M.
Hammond St. Cong. Ch and society, to aid church in Carroll, Springfield and Lee, 39 51
Hammond St. Ch, 62 25
Bequest of late Miss Martha Edes, 5
Cont in Rev. Mr. Pomroy's Society, 50 00
Mrs. Bruce, 1 00
Mrs. Collamore, 25
Bath—Winter St. Benevolent Soc. which constitutes Mrs. Susan P. Sewall, Miss Susan Ann Mitchell, Miss Ann Maria McKown Tallman, Miss Sarah G. Lincoln, of Bath, also Miss Rachel Esther Mitchell, of Bradford, (Me.) and Miss Isabella P. Page of Bath—L. M's. ($10 00 having been heretofore contributed towards life membership of Miss Lincoln.) 110
Mrs. Eleanor Tallman, dona. by Rev. J. O. Fiske, which constitutes her daughter Mrs. Eliza S. Patten, of Richmond, (Me.) a L. M. 20
Female Cent Society, Mrs. Elizabeth H. Hyde, Treasurer, 15 50
Winter St. Ladies Cent Society, Mrs. Elizabeth H. Hyde, Treasurer, 25
Cont in Sabbath in Winter St. Cong. 45 62
G. F. Patten, to constitute his two daughters, Mrs. Catharine P. Walker, and Mrs. Hannah T. P. Slade of Boston, L. M. 40
Freeman Clark, an 1845, 2
Thomas Harward, " 2
Jonathan Hyde, " 2
William Donnell 2, dona. 3, 5
David Sewall, an 1845, 2
Ammi R. Mitchell, " 2
Richard Nutter, " 2
Gilbert C. Trufant, " 2
Charles Sewall, 2
Thomas C. Jackson, " 2
Thomas Agry, " 2
Hartly Gove, " 2
Charles Crooker, " 2
Henry Hyde, " 2
Theodore S. Trevett, " 2
Tileston Cushing, 1
John Masters, an. 1845, 2
John Stockbridge, " 2
James F. Trott, " 2
Samuel G. Stinson, " 2
Cont. &c. in Third Church, viz.
Levi Houghton, an. 1845, 2
John Shaw, " 2
Otis Kimball, " 2
Gershom Hyde, an. 1845, 2
William M. Rogers, 2
Jacob Robinson, 2
Geo. W. Kendall, 2
Rev. Ray Palmer, 2
William Richardson, 2
Cont. in Cong. by Rev. R. Palmer, 28 90
Charles Clapp, Jr. 5
Wm. M. Rogers, 20
Female Missionary Society, in Third Cong. Soc. which constitutes Mrs. Mary Tibbets Smith a L. M. 21 25
Belfast—Ladies Sewing Circle and Retrenchment Society, to const Mr. John S. Caldwell a L. M. 20
Ch and Cong. to const Mr John S. Kimball a L. M. 20
Same in part to const Mr. Edwin Beeman a L. M. 18
Wm. O. Poor, dona in part to const his son Clarence O. Poor a L. M. 5
Wm. O. Poor, towards constituing his son Clarence O. Poor a L. M. 5
Ladies Sewing Circle, to const Mrs J. W. Wilder a L. M. 20
Ladies Retrenchment Soc, 4
Bethel—Church and Cong, 16
Female Cent Soc. West Parish, in part to const Mrs. Zeuriah Ellingwood a L. M. 10
Biddeford—Second Ch and Soc, 25
Bingham—Cong Ch in part to const Rev Henry Smith a L. M. 10 00
Blanchard—Cong Ch and Soc, 10
Bloomfield—Female Cent Society, Mrs Hathaway treasurer, to const in part some one hereafter to be named, a L. M. 8 84
Cont in Rev. Mr. Hathaway's Society, 6 80
Bluehill—"A Friend," 3
"A Friend," which constitutes Mrs. Anna B. Sewall a member for life, 20
Ch and Society, Rev. Jotham Sewall, Pastor, 26 87
Ladies Association Cong Ch, to const Mrs. Mary F. Stevens a L. M. 20
Two Females in said Ch, 61
Bradford—Female Friend, 50
Brewer—First Cong Ch, 7
First cong Ch and Soc, 38 80
Bridgton—Mrs. Ruth Lewis, 1
Cont in Cong Soc. 6 06
Bristol—Cont in Cong Soc, 18
James G. Huston, in part to constitute his wife, Mrs. Emeline M. Huston, a L. M., 10
Wm. Chamberlain, an. 1845, 2
Miss Nancy Chamberlain, subscription 1
Brooks—John McArthur, an. 1846, 2
Brownfield—Cont in Cong Soc, 4 56
Brownville—Cong Cont, 22
Female Miss'y Soc, in part to constitute Mrs. Miriam P. Sewall, a L. M., 6
Brunswick—Prof. Packard an. 1845, 2
Miss Harding, " " 2
Miss D. Giddings, " " 2
Mrs. D. Dunlap, dona, 10
Cont in Cong Soc, 29
Bucksport—Cont in cong Ch and Soc, 51 76
Noah Sparhawk, an 1845, 2
Same to const Mrs Maria S. Sparhawk a L. M. 20
J. W. Hinks, an 1845, 2
Monthly Concert Colls in Cong Soc. 20
Buckfield—Mrs. Persis Nelson, 30
Buxton—Josiah Jose, dona, 2
Stephen Adams, 2
Rev. Silas Baker, 2
Samuel Bradley, of Hollis, 2
Cont in Cong Society, 6 50
Female Cent Soc, Mrs Silas Baker,

treasurer, to const Asa Brown a L. M. 8 13
Widow Emery, dona. 50
Calais—Female Domestic Missionary Soc of Rev S. H. Keeler's Cong in part to const James F. McEwing of Rye, N. H. a L. M, 10
Female Domestic Missionary Soc in Rev. Mr. Keeler's Society, 20
Camden—Cont in Cong Soc, 13 38
Joseph Jones an 1845, 2, dona 2, 4
Charles R. Porter, an 1845, 2
A friend from Gloucester, Mass. 1
Female Missionary Soc, Mrs Huldah Hobbs Treasurer, 27
Cape Elizabeth—Female Missionary Soc in Cong Soc, 10
Cont in Cong Soc, 7 50
Cornish—Mrs Jerusha Lincoln, dona 5
Castine—Trinitarian Soc, $20 of which to const Alfred S. Adams a L. M. 35 74
Cont in Trinitarian Ch and Soc, 29
Columbia—Collected for M. M. S. to const Ichabod Bucknam and Miss Dolly T. Loring of Columbia, Life Members, 40
Corinth—Mrs Skinner by Rev Daniel Sewall, 50
Cumberland—Rev Joseph Blake, to complete life membership of his mother, Mrs Sophia C. Blake of Otisfield, 15
Gentlemen, 19 18
Ladies Miss'y Association, 17 50
Ladies in Rev. Mr. Blake's Soc, 1
Cherryfield—Cong Sewing Circle, 10
Cont in Cong Soc, 5
Rev Thos Smith to const Mrs Abigail H. Adams of Cherryfield, a L. M. 5
Chesterville—Isaac French, an 1845, 2
Cont in Cong Soc, 8 96
Damariscotta—Cong Ch and Soc, Newcastle, 33
Washington Dodge, an 1845, 2
Danville—Ch and Soc, 43
Dennysville—"From a friend of Missions," 1
Cong Ch and Soc, 40
Deer Isle—Female Cent Soc, Mrs Mark Haskell Treas. to const Mrs. H. B. C. Haskell a L. M. 20
Dexter—Ladies in Cong Ch, 5
Monthly Concert colls, 10
Dixmont—H. Wilder an 1845, 2
Mrs F. A. Butnam, " 2
W. Upton, 1
Nath Crocker, 1
Dixfield—Ch by Rev Eaton Mason, 3 53
Eastbrook—Mrs Charlotte Parsons, don, 3
East Thomaston—Ladies Sewing Circle, by H. C. Thomas, Treas, in part to const Rev S. C. Fessenden a L. M. 10
East Thomaston—Cont in cong soc, 12
Ladies Sewing Circle, which with $10 previously paid, constitutes Rev S. C. Fessenden a L. M. 10
East St. Albans—Cong coll in Rev N. Douglass' Soc, 2
East Machias—Miss D. West 50 cents, Sewing Circle, Sarah Harris, Tr. 3, 3 50
Widow Aphia Foster dona, 1 00
Stephen Foster " 1 00
"From the Circle," Miss Sarah Harris, Treas, 3 00
Miss Drusa West, 50
Edgecomb—Cont in cong ch and soc, 13 60
Enfield—Friend, 1 40
Ellsworth—George Herbert to const him a L. M. 20
Ladies circle of Industry, to const Mrs Jane Hopkins a L. M. 20
Cont in cong ch and soc, 23
Falmouth—Cont in 1st cong soc, 10
Farmington Falls—W. Hibbard, 1
R. Goodenow to complete his L. M. 5
Jacob Abbott, dona, 5
Hiram Belcher, towards constituting his wife a L. M. 5
Monthly Concert, Rev I. Rogers Tr, 14
Monthly Concert, 5 92
Collection on the Sabbath, 17 90
Female Auxiliary Miss'y Soc, Mrs. E. F. Rogers, Tr, to const Mrs Hannah B. Abbott a L. M. 20
Julia A. Stanley in part to const a L. M. hereafter to be designated, 2
Cont on Sabbath, 6 05
Fairfield—Barnabas Freeman, 4
Mrs Hemmenway, 50
R. Atwood. 1
Frankfort—Cont from the members of the 1st cong ch by Benj. Shaw, 4 20 of which to complete the L. M. of their pastor Rev Stephen H. Hayes, and the balance in part to const some one hereafter to be named, a L. M. 15 75
Freeport—Ladies Cent Soc, Mrs Mary Bacon Tr. which const Mrs Hannah B. Nye a L. M. 21 33
Sarah J. Nason an 1845, 2
Joshua Waite, dona, 15
Other individuals, 5
Two last sums const Alfred Waite a L. M.
Mrs. E. F. Harrington, 15
Other Individuals, which const her daughter, Helen Augusta Train, a L M, 5
Other Individuals, which const Ambrose Curtis a L. M. 26 67
Foxcroft and Dover—Cont in cong ch and Soc by Rev. D. Sewall, 18
Fryeburg—Mrs Abigail Osgood, lately deceased, (given in her last sickness,) 5
Miss Sally Osgood, an 1846, 2
Samuel Souther Jr. to complete the L. M. of his brother Thos Souther, 10
Cont after sermon, $10 of which from Joseph Colby, in part to const his grandson Simeon Colby Walker a L. M. 91
Henry C. Buswell which completes L. M. of Edmund Shirley of said town, 10
Mrs Mary Chase dona, 1
Gardiner—Cont in cong soc, 20 of which to const Mrs Louisa C. Peet a L. M. 28
Miss Eliza Waterman, 2
Georgetown, Mass.—Rev Enoch Pond Jr. and Mary T. Pond his wife, 5 each which with 10 heretofore paid, consts Mrs Mary Blodgett of Bucksport, a L. M. 10
Gilead—Cont in Rev Mr Richardson's soc, 3
Gorham—Ladies Sewing Circle to const Mrs Phebe Wadlin a L. M. 20
Cont in cong soc, 30 89
Ladies Sewing Circle, Mrs Jane C. Mead Tr, 20
Monthly Concert, 30
Samuel Paine dona, which const him a L. M. 20
Cont Monthly Concerts in Cong Soc, 30

Gray—Cong soc, which constitutes Wm P. Doughty a L. M. 20
Hallowell—Mrs Sophia E. Bond, don 10
Elias Bond, an 1845, 2
Mrs Cheever, 1
Monthly Concert E. Dole, Tr. 58 18
Mrs Sophia E. Bond to const Mr Jona. Hyde Belden of Hallowell a L. M. 20
Cont (including $20 by P. Sanford to const Miss A. E. Sanford of Hallowell a L. M.) 68 67
Member of the Missionary Sewing Circle, 2
Female Religious soc S. E. Bond, Tr. 16
Rev E. Gillett to constitute his nephew Wm. Wallace Gurley of New York City a L. M. 20
Female Missionary Association, Mrs. Wm. Stickney, Tr, dona, 10
E. Dole, an, 1845, 2
Wm. Stickney, 2
Mrs Alden Rice, 1
Augustus Alden, dona. 5
Mrs Sophia E. Bond, which constitutes Miss Ellen Bond Baker a L. M. 20
Williams Emmons dona, 10
Mrs Masters dona, 1
Monthly Concert, E. Dole, Tr, 66 67
Miss Alexander, 25
Mrs Belden, 20
Elias Bond, an 1846, 2
Hampden—Female Cent Society, 12
J. Curtis, Jr., for the Fairfield ch. and in part to constitute B. Freeman of Fairfield a L. M. 10
W Babcock, dona, 5
Cong. ch and soc subscriptions and collections, 32 56
Harrison—P. Eastman, an 1845, 2
Members of cong ch to const Mrs Mary S. Searle of N. York a L. M. 20
P. Eastman, an 1846, 2
Aaron Cummings an 1846, 2
Mrs. Susan Cummings, 2
Jackson & Brooks—cont and sub, 10,67
Jefferson—Cong ch and soc, 4
Mr Auld dona, 3,75
Arthur McCobb dona, 2
Joseph Taylor, 4
Jonesboro'—Joseph Sweetsir, in part to constitute his wife Mrs Catharine Sweetser a L. M. it being amount assessed by co conf. on chs in Jonesboro', 5
Joseph Sweetsir, dona which const him a member for life, 20
Kennebunk—Union cong ch and Society Monthly Concert, 10
Kennebunk-port—Cong ch and soc, 25
First ch and Soc in part to const Asaph Moody of K. P. a L. M. 14 36
Rev D. Kendrick, 2
Mrs Lydia A Lord dona, 5
Widow Elizabeth Perkins, which const her a L. M. 20
Kittery Point—Cong ch and soc 11
Rev. Reuben Kimball, which with above const him a L. M. 9
Lee—Mrs Prentiss dona, 5
Arthur Prentiss, 1
Nathaniel Gerrish, 1
Wm Prentiss, 2 25
Friends, 6 32
Lebanon—Joseph Loring, 8
T. M Wentworth, 4
John Moody, 2
David Furbush, 2
Nath Chamberlain, 1
Hiram G. Chamberlain, 1
Jotham Winn, 1
Samuel Shapleigh, 1
Charles Shapleigh, 1
John Rollins, 1
Richard Rollins, 1
T. Wentworth, 1
Other individuals to const Joseph Grant a L. M. 6
Joseph Grant, ann 1844, 2
Levant—Dr J. Case, 2
Mrs A. P Case, 2
S. Stanley, 2
Mrs B. Garland, 1
M. Philbrook, 50
Mrs. M. Philbrook, 50
Wm Peabody, 1 00
Mrs L. Peabody, 50
Mrs M. A. Peabody, 50
Sarah Case, 25
Julia D. Case, 25
Mrs S. W. Watson, 82
Mrs S. Weston, 1 00
Mrs I. Weston, 14
John Ingraham, 1
Thomas B. Keneston, 75
Thomas J. Beath, 75
Mrs McCobb, 25
Lewiston Falls—Cong Soc, 20
Limerick—Rev Charles Freeman, 4
Mrs S. A. Freeman, 1
Edmund Brickett, 1
Gilman Fogg, 50
Benj Hayes, 50
Luther Walker, 50
Thomas Gilpatrick, 50
Humphrey Pike, 1
Lot Wiggin, 50
James B. Libbey, 2
William Swasey, 3
John A. Morrill, 1 50
Fred R. Swasey, 75
Eben Adams, 1
Simeon Barker, 50
Silvanus Hayes, 50
J. C. Hayes, 50
Edmund Sanborn, 50
Cash by Rev. C. Freeman, 45
Limington—Cont in cong soc, 10
Cont in cong soc, 6 06
Lisbon—Mrs Perley, 1
Female Friend of Missions, 2 00
Cont in cong soc. 9
Litchfield—Female Miss'y Society, 6
Female Benevolent Soc, 5
Cont in cong soc, 4 50
Thomas Smith, an 1845, 2
Isaac Smith, " 2 00
Zachariah B. Smith, " 2
Rev Timothy Davis, 5
Lyman—Cong soc collection, 9 37
Ladies Missionary Society, 2 25
Madison—Rev John Perham to complete L. M. of his son Rosalvan C. Perham 5
Benj Weston an 2
Cont in ch and soc by Rev. Mr. Perham 9 39
Mattawamkeag Point—Friends by Rev. J. Sewall 5 35
Mechanic Falls—Cong ch and soc 5 25
Mercer—Mrs Lucy F. Thatcher to com-

plete her L. M. 5
Cont in cong soc 3 50
Balance of cont in cong soc, which with 3 50 previously cont and acknowledged, and 3 25 from Starks' also heretofore acknowledged, const in part James Downs of Mercer a L. M. 3
Milo—Mrs P. S. Lee an 1845 2
Individuals of cong ch 5
Minot—Ansel Staples, an 1845 2
Mrs Staples, 50
P. Bradford, 1 29
Isaac Allen, 2
James Washburn, 2
Harvey Stetson, 2
Daniel Freeman 2
Mrs O. Dinsmore, 56
A Friend to complete a L. M. 10
Misses A. & P. Allen, 1
Mrs H. Lane 50
Rev. E. Jones 5
Cont in cong soc 7
Miscellaneous—Oxford Conf of chs 24 16
York conf of chs 22
Franklin conf. of churches 12 76
Somerset conf of chs 16
Washington co conf of churches 20 00 of which to const. Rev Dr Gillett of Hallowell a L. M. from the Female Dom Miss Soc of Rev S. H. Keeler's ch and soc in Calais 24 50
Avails of 21 yds wool cloth, sold by H. J. Libby & Co for the Society 18 40
Cash 50
Dividend on stock in Lewiston Falls Manufacturing Co. 40
Kennebec conf chhs at Winthrop 16 65
York conf of chh by Rev A. Cummings 31 29
From a friend, by same 1
Cumb. conf chh meeting at Windham by Rev A. Cummings 21 94
Washington co conf of chh, Wm. A. Crocker, Tr, 28
Legacy (in part) bequeathed by late Charles Hunt of Gorham, first instalment 62,50
From Estate of late Increase Robinson 42
In a letter from "*Edvardo*," 10
From Rev Robert Page and wife $5 each, in part to const their daughter, Abby M. Page a L. M. 10
Washington co con chs 135
Int on loan of Bequest of late D. Dunlap de'd from mortgagor 60
From an old subscriber, residing in New York 3
Lincoln conf. chhs. 9
Washington co conf chhs 51 50
York co conf chhs 5 50
Dividend on stock in M & T Bank 14
" " Casco Bank 45
Cumberland conf chs 20
Dividend on stock in Casco Bank 45
" " M & T Bank, 14
Dividend on reserved fund in M & T Bank 17 50
Monmouth—Nehemiah Pierce an 1845 2
Monson—Cont in cong soc 5 80
Female Charitable soc 3
Mrs Abigail Colton 1
Miss Julia Goodale 1
A friend, cent a week 50
Coll on the Sabbath 9
Female Benevolent Society 4 25
Mrs Eveleth don 2
Naples—Widow Thomas Perley dona 5
Nashua, N. H.—Mrs Phebe Lord dona which const Rev John Baker of Kennebunk Port a L. M. 20
Newcastle—Washington Dodge an 1846 2
Thomas Woodward an 1845 2
Mrs T Woodward an 1846 2
Cong soc by Rev A Cummings 4
Newburyport, Mass.—Wm Thurston an 1845 2
Miss B. L. Colman 2 50
Newfield—Joseph H. Davis 3
Samuel C. Adams an 1846 2
Cont in cong soc 7
Additional do 25
New Gloucester—Cont in cong soc 7 50
J. P. Stevens, dona 1
Female Miss. soc. Mrs P. P. Shepley Tr to const Miss Prudence Rowe of N. G. a L. M 20
Sewing circle, Miss A. C. M. Foxcroft, Tr, to aid in sustaining the gospel at Carroll, 30
Cong coll. 3 50
New Portland—Isaac Hopkins in part to const Joseph Isaac Hopkins a L. M. 5
New York City—Rev Dr Cheever, 4 83
Norridgewock—Cont in cong soc, 13
Avails of Jewelry from the wife of Judge Farnesworth, it being her request at her death, that it should be given to the M. M. S. 2 50
North Anson—William Weston, 2
North Bridgton—cont in cong soc from June 1845, 15 37
Mrs Harris Sab sch class cont during same time 2 66
North Waterford—Benevolent soc in part to const some person hereafter to be designated a L. M. 10
Female Benevolent Soc, Mrs Ruth K. Green. Tr $10 of which to complete L. M. of Mrs Elizabeth Green of Waterford, and $5 towards the L. M. of some one else to be hereafter named, 15
North Yarmouth—2d Parish, William Sweetsir, an 1845, 2
2d Parish contributed by Rev Mr. Hobart 7
First Parish Female cent soc, Miss O. Gray, Tr. 35 21
Norway—Cont in cong soc by James Flint 16
Contents of a family missionary box, Mrs Aaron Wilkins, which with $16 before cont completes L. M. of Mrs Phebe V. Soule, 2d time, 5
Oldtown—Rev Rob't Page $4, Mrs O. A. Page 1, in part to const Miss Abby M. Page a L. M. 5
Orono—Juvenile miss soc, 4 87
Cong ch and soc, 11 85
Cong ch and soc by E. F. Duren to const Joseph Graves of Orono a L. M. 5 50
Cong ch. 4 20
Juvenile Missionary soc, 4 03
(Two last sums in part to cont Rev A. J. Copeland a L. M.)
Otisfield—Cong Miss So, 8 50
Ladies asso. 4 50
Cong coll by Rev Mr Richardson, 8
Silas Blake an, 6
Sub of cong soc in part, David Knight

Treas, 3
'From a Female Friend,' 1
Oxford—Cont in cong ch and soc to complete L. M. of A. H. Muzzy of Oxford, 5 50
Palmyra—Edward W. Hanson 2
Patten—Two little children of Rev J. Gooch, avails of their own labor 25
Passadumkeag—Of which $4 83 is a cont. balance 17 cts, 5 00
Friends, 1 50
A brother and sister, 2
Phillips—Coll in ch and soc, 2 25
Phipsburg—Cont in cong soc, 15
Rev. A. T. Loring, 2
Pittston—Cont. 10 27
Poland—Monthly Coll, 15
Pomfret, Ct.—Friend of Missions, 1
Portland—Female Miss soc Mrs Elizabeth Greeley Tr, 33 50
Miss Sewing Circle, Miss Celia Patten Tr, 44
Rev D. M. Mitchell, an 1845 2
Mrs D. M. Mitchell " 2
A. R. Mitchell " 2
H. J. Libby 2
H. J. Libby, an 1846 2
High St Sewing Circle, 28
Godfrey Mark, an 1845, 2
Edward Gould dona which with $10 heretofore given, const John Mead Gould, his son, a L. M. 10
Wm. Martin dona, 3
Misses Martin, dona, 3
E. A. Norton, an 1845-6, 4
Miss Sewing Circle, by Miss Celia M. Patten, Tr, 40
'A young man,' 1
Cont in High St Society, $10 of which from Wm. Hyde to complete his L. M. 264 12
Henry Jackson, an 1846, 2
Miss Elizabeth Bailey dona, 5
Mrs Clarissa Brooks dona which const her a L. M. 20
Mrs Oleson dona, 1 31
Mrs Wm Swan, 10
High St Society, additional cont by H. Jackson, 4
Jonathan Tucker dona, 5
Gabriel Mark, dona, 2
Wm. Martin and Miss Penelope Martin, dona, 6
J. B. Osgood an 1846 and dona, 3
Mrs J. B. Osgood, an 1846, 2
Godfrey Mark, " " 2
Mrs Elizabeth F. Stevens, dona 5
Third Parish sewing circle, Mrs Deborah Russel, Tr which const Rev. John Wilde, of Falmouth, Mrs Clement Pennell, Mrs Harriet Hubbs, Mrs Asa H. Cutter, and to complete L. M. of Mrs Wm. Stewart, of Portland, Life Members, and in part to const Mrs Charlotte Harward, of Portland, a L. M. 100
Female Miss soc, Mrs Eliza Greeley, Tr, 32
Mrs Wm. Swan, which with $10 heretofore cont, const Miss Sarah B. Adams of Winslow a L. M. 10
Cont in Third cong soc, $20 of which from W. Storer, to const Bellamy Storer of Cincinnati, Ohio, a L. M. 61 62
Miss sewing circle, Miss Celia M. Patten Tr, 70
Pownal—Cong ch and soc to const some one hereafter to benamed, a L. M. 25 69
Thomas Scales, 1 50
Raymond—Cong ch and soc 3 50
Readfield—D. F. Sampson for the Aroostook Mission, 5 00
Richmond—Mrs Eliza S. Patten, to complete L. M. of B. F. Tallman 10
Rumford—Ch to complete L. M. of Rev E. S. Hopkins, 10
Saco—Benevolent Society of First Parish, from S. Scammon, Tr, 19
"A friend," 7 50
"From a friend," which const S. L. Goodale a L. M. 20
Annual dona of two little Misses, 1 00
Sanford—Cong Coll, 18
Wm Emery an 1845, by Rev Mr. Goss, 2
Coll in cong soc, 11
Sangerville—Coll in cong soc, 4 40
Scarborough—Mrs Seth Storer, dona, 5
Female Home Miss Soc, Mrs E. A. Hasty, Tr, 7
Cont 1st Parish, Rev Mr Fiske Pastor, 14,64
Female Miss soc, Mrs E. A. Hasty Tr. 10
Searsport—Cong soc, 22
Shapleigh—A. Loring and wife, 4 50
Collection, 3 84
Addition to coll last year 45
Skowhegan—Cont in cong soc 6 28
South Berwick—Miss Sarah Norton don by Rev B. R. Allen, which const her a L. M. 20
Cont in Rev Mr Allen's soc, 17 05
By two female members of Rev B. R. Allen's ch, 1 50
South China—Mrs Sarah Starrett dona 3
Solon—M. Bodwell in part to const himself a L. M. 5
South Solon—Cont in cong soc, 2 51
Solon Village—Dr M. Bodwell, 4th payment to const him a L. M. 5
Cont in cong ch, 2
South Paris—Sabbath School in cong soc by Elisha Morse, superintendent, which constitutes Martin Brett a L. M. 20
Seth Morse, dona, 10
Sab school in Rev Mr Walker's soc. which const Mrs Eleanor Walker a L. M. 20
South Reading, Ms.—Rev Dana Clayes dona 7
Springfield—Rufus Wright, 2
Standish—Coll in Evangelical cong 6 25
Starks—Individuals, 3 25
Strong—Rev Joseph Freeman, Jr dona, 2
Cont in cong soc 3 50
Sumner—Cont in cong soc, 7 68
Temple—Female Auxiliary Society, 5 54
Cont in cong soc, in part to const Rev Alpha Morton a L. M. 4 46
Thomaston—Female Miss'y Soc, 18
Cont by 2d Parish of which Rev S. C. Fessenden is pastor, 10
Topsham—Female Miss'y Soc'y Mrs Alfred White, Pres, 9
Female Domestic Miss'y Soc, Mrs Alfred White, Pres, 3 25
Cong coll, 12
Ladies, 11 40
Turner—Female Charitable Soc. in part to const Rev Henry Eddy a L. M. 12

Young Ladies Miss'y Soc, to complete L. M of Rev Henry Eddy, 8
Cont in ch and soc, 4
Cont in ch and soc, 10
Union—Cong ch and soc, 9 50
Wabto—"From a Friend of Missions," 5
Henry Davidson an 1846, 2
Waldoborough—First cong ch and soc, R. C. Webb, an 1845, 2
James Hovey, " 2
Mrs Eliza Hovey, " 2
John Bulfinch, " 2
Geo Allen, " 2
Mrs Sarah T. Webb, " 2
Mrs Ann S. Dodge, " 2
Rev John Dodge, " 2
Mrs S. W. Bulfinch, " 2
Gent's Benev Soc, " 3
Ladies do " 16 62
Cont in cong soc, " 15
Samuel Morse dona, 2
Mrs Olive Morse dona, 1
Sam'l M. Morse, 2
Miron Hovey, 1
Greenville Hovey, 1
Dona $1.50 of which given by late Alexander Palmer Jr, in his dying moments, 2
Warren—Second cong soc, balance of colls for 1845, 5
Jesse Page, an 1846, 2
2d cong soc, 50
David Starrett an 1844 and '45, 4
Jesse Page, an 1845, 2
Lewis Vaughan, " 2
Wm Hovey, " 2
Washington—Rev J. G. Merrill, dona, 1
James McDowell, 1
Waterford—Henry Sawin, dona, 1 50
Mrs Henry Sawin, do, 1 50
Mrs Sarah A. Warren, 3
W. W. Greene, dona, 5
Waterville—Cong ch and soc, 6 50
Weld—Coll on the Sabbath, and Female Miss'y Soc, 11 72
Wells—First ch and soc, 11 50
Second cong soc, 6 26
Westbrook—Mrs Hannah Johnson and family to complete L. M. of Rev Cyril Pearl, 10
West Minot and Hebron—Moses Allen, an, 2
Collection, 3 74
West Waterville—Mr Eusebius and Philena Hale, 10
Whitefield—Mr Woodward, dona, 5
Wilton—Seth Bass, an 1845, 2
Female Miss'y Soc, Mrs P. F. Barker, Tr. to complete L. M. of Mrs Luther Cheney, and in part to const Mrs Eliza Bass of Farmington a L. M. 6 25
John Barker an, 2
Coll of ch and soc paid to Rev C. D. Herbert, 5 53
Windham—Cont in cong soc, 7
Rev W. Warren, dona, 12
Rev Mr Warren, to complete L. M. of his son, 10
Cong soc cont. 10 93
Winslow—Thomas Rice in part to const his wife a L. M. 10
Thomas Rice, dona, 10
Thomas Rice, dona, 15
Thomas Rice, to complete L. M. of his wife, 10
Windsor—James F. Griffin, dona, 2
Winthrop—Adin Stanley, don, 1
Elijah Wood an 1845, 2
Cont in cong soc, 16
Female Assist Miss Soc, Mrs L. Newman Tr, 18 75
Cont in cong soc, 20
Wiscasset—Cong ch and soc, 26 50
Woolwich—Cont in cong soc, 7 49
Worcester, Mass.—Rev S. Sweetser in part to const Harriet V. Sweetser a L M. 15
Rev S. Sweetser, dona, 15
York—1st cong soc, Rev Mr Ashby, Pastor, 18
2d cong soc, Rev Mr Holman Pastor, 13

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PORTLAND, July, 1846.

LIFE MEMBERS.

Those with a star prefixed, deceased.

Abbott Jacob, Farmington
Abbott Rev Jacob "
Abbott Mrs Betsey "
Abbott Miss Salucia "
Abbott Miss Clara Ann "
Abbott Mrs Hannah B. "
Abbott John S., Thomaston
Abbott Mrs Eliza T., "
Abbott Rev Samuel P., Farmington
Adams Rev Thomas, Brookfield, Mass.
Adams Mrs Catharine L. " "
Adams Rev George E., Brunswick
Adams Mrs Sarah A. "
Adams Rev Darwin, Alstead, N. H.
Adams Rev C. S. Dartmouth, Mass.
*Adams Weston B., Lewiston
*Adams Mrs Harriet B., "
*Adams Miss Malinda C., "
Adams Rev Jonathan, Deer Isle
Adams Hannah A., "
Adams John, Jr., Newfield
Adams Samuel, Castine
Adams Mrs Lucy S., "
Adams Alfred S. "
Adams Rev Solomon, Boston
Adams Mrs Adeline "
Adams Isaac R. Farmington
Adams John C., Bangor
Adams Eliashib, "
Adams Miss S. F., Castine
Adams Samuel J., "
Adams George M., "
Adams Rev. Aaron C. W. Bloomfield N. J.
Adams Mrs Abigail H., Cherryfield
Adams Miss Sarah B. Winslow
Adams Miss Mary M., Castine
Agry Miss Sarah H., Hallowell
Akers Wm. Buxton
Alden Augustus, Hallowell
Allen Rev Wm. D. D. Northampton, Mass.
Allen Rev John Wheelock, Wayland, Mass.
Allen Matthias, North Yarmouth
Allen Wm. Norridgewock
Allen Rev Benj. R., South Berwick
Allen James, Bangor
Alling Mrs Albert, Newark N. J.
Anderson Stephen, Freeport
Appleton Elisha W., Portland
*Arnold Mrs Mary Jane, Bath
Ashby Rev John L., York
Auld Mrs Elizabeth, Boothbay
Ayer Rev Thomas, late of Albany
Babcock Rev Elisha, Thetford, Vt.
Babcock Mrs William, Bangor
Bacon Rev Elisha, Centerville, Mass.
Bacon, son of Rev. E. B.
Bacon George, Freeport
Bacon Mrs George, "
Bailey Lebbens, Portland
Bailey Mrs Sarah, Bath
Baker Edward W., Portland
*Baker Azariah, Edgecomb
Baker Rev John, Kennebunkport
Baker Mrs Sarah K. "
Baker Rev Silas, "
Baker Mrs Eliza S. "
Baker Mrs Ellen B., Hallowell
Barker Mrs Phebe A., Wilton
Barker Samuel F., Calais
Barker Simeon, Limerick
Barnard Pliny F., Bangor Seminary
Baron E. W., Lebanon
Baron Mary Lincoln, Hampden
Barrell Mrs Huldah, Turner
Barrett Amos, Winthrop
Barrett Abby S. Portland
*Barrows John S. Fryeburg
Barrows John S. "
Barrows Ruel, "
*Barrows Thomas P., "
Barrows Mrs Ann K., "
Barrows Ann A., "
Barrows George B., "
Beckwith Rev George C., Boston
Beckwith Mrs Martha W., Boston
Beckwith Rev B. B. Castine
*Belden Rev Jonathan, Hallowell
Belden Mrs Martha, "
Belden Miss Louisa, "
Belden Jona. Hyde, "
Beeman Edwin, Belfast
Belcher Hiram, Farmington
Bigelow Rev Asahel, Walpole, Mass.
Bishop Rev Nelson, Windsor, Vt.
Bixby George Athens
Blake Mrs Sophia C. Otisfield
Blake Mrs Mary G., Bath
Blanchard Charles, Baltimore, Md.
Blanchard Nathaniel, Portland
Blanchard Silvanus, North Yarmouth
Blanchard Dorcas "
Blanchard S. W. "
Blanchard Paul G "
Blood Rev Mighill, Bucksport
Blood Mrs Mighill "
Blodgett Bliss "
Blodgett Henry "
Blodget Mrs Mary, Bucksport
Bodwell Mortimer, Solon
Bowker Rev Samuel Union
Bowker Mrs Abagail, Bethel
Bowman Mrs Sarah G. Bath
Bovey John, Bath
Bond Elias, Hallowell
Bond Mrs Sophia E., Hallowell
Bond Rev Elias, Jr., Sandwich Islands

Bond Mrs Ellen M., " "
Bourne Abraham L., Kennebunk
Bradbury Mrs Sarah, New Gloucester
Bradley John, New Bedford, Mass.
Bradley Mrs Catharine, Portland
Bradley John, Jr. "
Bradley Samuel, Hollis
Bradley Rev Caleb, Gorham
Breed Rev William J., Cincinnati
Breed Mrs Mary S., "
Brett Martin, South Paris
*Bridge James, Augusta
Bridge Mrs Emily Winslow
Brooks Wm. A., Augusta
Brooks Mrs Lusanna, Augusta
Brooks Mrs Clarisa, Portland
Brown James, Danvers, Mass.
Brown Mrs Elizabeth, Andover, Mass.
Brown George A., Hampden
Brown Amos, Gorham
Brown Thomas, Portland
Brown Mrs Ann "
Brown Theodore S., Bangor
Brown Mrs Sarah "
Brown Wm. S., "
Brown Charles Edward "
Brown Brooks Dascomb "
Brown Robbins, Bethel
Brown A. G., Hampden
Brown Mrs Mary Ann "
Brown Samuel J. M., Hampden
Brown B. H., "
Brown Edward P., "
Brown Benjamin, Vassalborough
Brown Rev George, Mount Desert
Brown Rev John Crombie, St. Petersburg, Russia
Brown Asa, Baxton
Buck John, Orland
Buck Sarah T., "
Buck John A., Bucksport
Bucknam Ichabod, Hallowell
Bulfinch John, Waldoborough
Bullard Rev Asa, Boston
Bullard Mrs Asa "
Burbank Jedediah, Bethel
Burbank Mrs Frances "
Burnham Mrs Jonas, Hallowell
Burnham Seth, Kennebunkport
Burnham Jonas, Hallowell
Burr Rev Jonathan, Boston
Buswell Henry C., Fryeburg
Buswell Mrs Elizabeth O., "
*Byram Mrs Lucretia R., Portland
Caldwell John S., Belfast
Campbell Rev G. W., Newbury, Vt
Carlton Rev Isaac, Oxford
Carlton Mrs Isaac "
Carlton Isaac, Bethel
Carlton Mrs Daniel, Jr., Alna
Carlton William Camden
Carlton Edward, Waterford
Carpenter Rev Eber, formerly of York
Carpenter Rev E. G., Eastport
Carpenter Mrs S. B. "
Carruthers Rev. James, Portland, 10 times
*Carruthers Mrs Robina "
*Carruthers Miss Jane "
*Carruthers Miss Ellen "
Chadbourne Miss Betsey "
*Chase Stephen, Fryeburg
Chase Mrs Sarah, North Yarmouth
*Chapin Rev Perez, Pownal
Chapin Mrs Sarah W "
*Chapin Rev Horace B., Lewiston Falls
Chapin Mrs Horace B. "
Chamberlain Benj. P., Salem, Mass
Chapman Rev Nathaniel, Camden
Chapman Rev Calvin, Westbrook
Chandler Rev Samuel, Elliot
Chandler Enos, North Yarmouth
Chandler Joseph, Jr, "
Chandler William, "
Cheever Mrs Charlotte, Hallowell
Cheever Miss Elizabeth B.,
Chenery Mrs Luther, Wilton
Chickering Rev John W., Portland, 2d time
Chickering Mrs J. W., "
Child James L., Augusta
Child Mrs Jane H. "
Child Daniel C., "
Child Ann Eliza, "
Child James L. Jr, "
Child Hannah S. "
Child Grenville H. "
Child Miss Rebecca Jane, "
Christopher Mrs Lydia, Calais
Church Rev. A. B., Calais
Chute Mrs Mary, Portland
Chute Rev A. P., Milton, Mass
Chute Mrs A. P. "
Chute John, Naples
Clark Rev Wm. Fryeburg
Clark Wm B. "
Clark Henry, Kennebunkport
Clark Mrs Louisa H., Wells
Clark Miss Lois Portland
Clark Mrs Samuel "
Clark Freman, Bath
Clark Mrs Freeman, Bath
Clark Miss Frances L., Bath
Clark Gilman, Foxcroft
Clark Miss Agnes E. S., Bath
Clayes Rev Dana, S. Reading, Mass.
Clapp Mrs Jane T., Bath
Clapp Mrs Rachel Bath,
Clapp Charles, Jr, Bath
Clay Henry, Ashland, Kentucky
*Cleaves Mrs, Biddeford
Cleaaves Miss Mary "
Cleaveland Professor Parker, Brunswick
Codman George C., Westbrook,
Codman William S., Camden
Colburn Rev Jonas, Wells
Colburn Mrs Mary B. "
Cole Mrs Sarah J., Saco
Cogswell Rev. Jona., East Windsor
Cogswell Mrs J. " "
Coker Stephen, Alna
*Cole Rev Albert, Bluehill
Colby Joseph, Fryeburg
Colby Mrs Elizabeth "
Colby Mrs Ruth M., "
Collins Miss Sally, N. Gloucester
Conant Rev. J. H., Temple
Condit Rev Jonathan B., Newark, N. J. 3 times
Condit Mrs J. B. " 2d time
Copeland Rev A. J. Orono
Crane Mrs John C., Newark, N. J.
Cressey Rev George W., Kenuebunk
Cressey Mrs Caroline M. "
Crocker Mrs Eliza L., Machias
*Crosby Rev John, Castine
Crosby Mrs Hannah, Bangor
Crosby Timothy, "
Crosby James, "
Crosby Mrs James, "
Crosby Charlotte C., "
Crosby Sarah H., "
Crosby George A., "

Crosby John L., "
Crosby Miss Olive, "
Crosby James H., "
Crosby Mrs S., Hampden
Crosby Benjamin, Hampden
Crossett Rev R., late of Dennysville
Crossett Mrs Dorothea, "
Codman Mrs Lucretia, Camden
*Cook Amos J., Fryeburg
Cook Mrs E., "
*Cook Francis, Wiscasset
Cordis Samuel, Winthrop
Cornish Rev Clark
*Cummings Dea Asa, Albany
Cummings Rev Asa, Portland, 2d time
Cummings Mrs Phebe "
Cummings Henry T., "
Cummings Miss Hannah "
Cushman Rev David, Boothbay
Cushman Mrs Emeline H., Boothbay
Curtis Samuel, Wells
Curtis Theodore, Freeport
Curtis Ambrose, Freeport
*Cutler Rev E. G., Belfast
Cutler Miss Sarah, Hallowell
Cutter Levi, Portland
Cutter Rev Edward F., Warren
Cutter Mrs Edward F., "
Cutter Mrs Asa H., Portland
Cutting John, Warren
Dame Rev Charles, Falmouth
Dana Nathaniel, Boston
Darling Henry I., Bucksport
Darling Samuel, Calais
Darling Miss Martha, Portland
Davenport Rev John S., Newburyport
Davenport Mrs Elizabeth "
Davenport Rev William, Biddeford,
Day Mrs Eunice, Portland
Davis Rev Timothy, Litchfield
Davis Mrs Lucy "
Davis Mrs Louisa P., Portland
Delano Miss M., "
Deering Stephen, Augusta
Deering Mrs Caroline, "
Dickinson John, Amherst, Mass
Dickinson Mrs Martha, Bangor
*Dike John, Beverly
Dike Mrs Priscilla M., Salem, Mass
Dike John, Salem
Dillingham Cornelius, Freeport
Dinsmore William W., Norridgewock
Dodge Rev John, Waldoborough
Dodge Mrs Jane C., Portland
Dole Carlton, Augusta
Dole Ebenezer, Hallowell
Dole Henry Lyman, "
Dole Samuel Munson, "
Dole Mrs Hannah, "
Dole Ellen Bond "
Dole Rev Daniel, Bangor
Dole Albert G., Alna
Dole Mrs Catharine, Westbrook
Donnell Mrs Harriet, Bath
Donnell William, Bath
Dorrance James, Kennebunk
Dorrance Oliver B., Boston
Dorrance Mrs Jane, "
Doughty William P., Gray
Douglass Rev John A., Waterford, 2d time
Douglass Mrs Lucy A., "
Douglass Rev Nathan, St Albans, 2d time
Dow Rev Moses, formerly of York
Downer Mrs Mary B., Portland
Downes George, Calais
Dow Mrs Delia L., Bangor
Dow Miss Alice E., "
Dow William H., "
Drake Rev Samuel S., Garland
Drummond Alexander, Bangor
Drummond Rev James, Lewiston Falls
Dummer Mrs M., Jacksonville, Ill
Dummer Mrs Sarah, Hallowell
Duncan Rev A. G., Brooks
*Dunlap David, Brunswick
Dunlap Mrs Nancy McKeen, "
Duren Freeman Hyde, Bangor
Duren Wm. Griffin, "
Duren Rev Charles, Weathersfield, Vt.
Dutton Samuel P.
Duttou Samuel, Ellsworth
Dutton Mrs. Elizabeth "
Dutton Miss Ruth "
Dutton Alice Elizabeth "
Dwight Rev Wm. Theodore, Portland
Dwight Mrs Eliza L., "
Dwight Henry E., Portland
Dwight Rev Edward S., Saco
Eastman Mary A., Harrison
Eaton Rev Ebenezer, Mount Desert
Eaton Rev Joshua, Dexter
Eaton Mrs Joshua "
Eddy Rev H., Turner
Ellis Rev Manning, Brooksville
Ellis Miss Hannah P., Hampden
Ellingwood Rev John W., Bath
*Ellingwood Mrs J. W., "
*Elwell Payne, Waldoborough
Emerson Rev Noah, Baldwin
Emmons Henry V., Hallowell
Emmons Mrs Lucy "
Fales Oliver, Thomaston
Fargo Rev George W., Solon
Farley Mrs Betsey, Waldoborough
Fessenden Rev Joseph P., Bridgton
Fessenden Mrs Phebe "
*Fessenden Mrs Sarah, Fryeburg
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